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## Project on target

By John McTaggart  
 Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — The expansion of the Okulski Family Theater in the Lavins Center at Windmill Pointe Park is progressing toward a summer-time opening, according to Park city officials.

The 80-seat complex is aimed at an older crowd, said director of parks and recreation Terry Solomon, and is more plush than the Okulski complex that shares a common wall with the new project.

"It is going to be more plush," she said. "It's a smaller place, with reclining theater seats and more amenities that would be geared for an older audience."

Currently, the Okulski Family Theater is just that — a theater geared and designed for family films, meaning the section of movie titles is family oriented and rated PG-13 at the most, Solomon said.

"In the 12 years since the theater opened, I would say there hasn't been more than four or five movies that were rated R that played there," she said. "And

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## Holidays and taxes

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — Residents worried about getting their winter taxes in on time this year can breathe easier, at least for a couple days, thanks to the calendar and a national holiday.

"Property taxes are due each year on Feb. 14," Grosse Pointe Woods treasurer Dee Ann Irby said. "Since that is a Saturday, the due date moves to the next business day which is Tuesday, Feb. 17. City Hall is closed on Monday, Feb. 16, in observance of President's Day."

Resident Timor Blazycyk will take any extra time he can get, regardless of the reason.

"An extra few days is never bad," Blazycyk said with a smile. "I'll take it. I'll hold on to that money for a little while longer before I have to give it to the city. I've got no problem with that."

Residents may pay their taxes at city hall or online through the city's website (gpwmi.us).

Taxes not paid by the end of the business day Friday, Feb. 27, will be turned over to the Wayne County treasurer and are subject to additional penalty and interest charges.

— John McTaggart



PHOTOS BY JOHN MCTAGGART

Rockefellers Oyster Bar & Grill hosted a troop of Girl Scouts from Maire Elementary School, teaching them how to make a fun dinner and dessert. Above, Olivia Bachert looks at the gummy worm that would soon become part of her dessert creation.

## The world is their oyster

By John McTaggart  
 Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — It's all about giving back.

"We've been here for just about five months now," Rockefeller Oyster Bar & Grill owner Jai-Lee Dearing said. "And from that very first day, we started reaching out to the community, to local

charities. We're part of the community, giving back in any way we can is very important. The community supports us, and we want to do all we can to support the community."

Dearing, along with his staff, demonstrated that "giving-back" spirit Monday afternoon when a dozen Girl Scouts from Maire



The scouts were all smiles while they crafted their dirt dessert cups.

Elementary School walked through the doors of the Mack Avenue restaurant for a unique chance to learn how to cook from one of the area's top chefs, Rockefeller's own, Chef Don Kruse.

"Our chef is a rockstar," Dearing said, a grin growing from ear-to-ear. "He really is. We stole him from downriver. He makes a long drive daily, about an hour each way, just to get here. That tells you the dedication and commitment he has to this community. He's an amazing chef and an amazing man. We're blessed to have him, and the entire staff here."

Kruse had the attention of the scouts from the start of the hands-on demonstration, which began with each girl getting a chef's hat and apron.

Scrambled eggs was the entree of choice, Kruse said, followed by a creative dessert dish comprised of pudding, Oreos cookies and gummy worms.

"This is what they wanted to make," Kruse said. "I told them, pick two things and they did. This is what they came up with. It's great."

The children cracked and

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Rockefellers' Melissa Winn helps the scouts.

## Curbing Kerby's aggressive

By Brad Lindberg  
 Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — Dogs will be dogs.

Evil ones will have their day in court, if necessary.

A crackdown on canine cutups is in play at the new and improved Kerby Dog Park in Grosse Pointe Farms.

"We've had a few remarks from people saying some dogs are more aggressive," said Dick Huhn, director of parks and recreation.

A united city council

responded this week to put bite in the complaint process.

Enforcement of dog department is thereby elevated from recreation personnel to those tasked with resolving misconduct on a daily basis, public safety officers.

"We didn't have a formal policy for aggressive dogs," Huhn said.

The new procedure puts dog park complaints within the city's vicious dog ordinance, he added.

New methodology is:  
 ◆ Law enforcement officers

investigate complaints about unruly dogs at the dog park.

◆ If a dog is determined vicious, it is immediately banned from the dog park without appeal. Complaints in such matters are forwarded to municipal court for further action.

◆ Otherwise, following investigation, the recreation director, with advice from the public safety director and city manager, may ban the offending party from the dog park.

◆ Appeals funnel to the city council for final resolution.

Some two-thirds of the new and enlarged \$300,000 dog park, which opened in May on municipal property at Kerby Field, was funded by private donations through the Grosse Pointe Foundation.

The park is three times larger than the old one.

Features include a two-tier drinking fountain for dogs and people, a copper-roofed gazebo with dog weather vane, undulating lawn, dog play ramp and hurdle.

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Maggie Green is focused on making her dessert the best it can be during the event.

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stirred eggs for starters, then watched the chef prepare the eggs in a pan in front of them. Meanwhile, Kruse explained what he was doing in detail and answered a wide-range of questions from the scouts.

"These kids, at this age, they can do scrambled eggs," Kruse said. "This is something they're learning about and they

can take that home with them and maybe help make scrambled eggs. They're going to know what they're doing and understand the process."

Once the eggs were done, Kruse walked around the table, dished out a plate of steaming scrambled eggs to each child, and the girls enjoyed their creation.

The dessert was more fun than learning and gave the scouts the chance to get their hands dirty and use their creativity.

"You're creating your own dessert dish, each of

you," Kruse told the group while they mixed pudding and crushed Oreo cookies together in a cup, then carefully, or not-so-carefully in some instances, added brightly colored gummy worms and bears. "This is what I get to do everyday, create something. It's great."

This passion is the drive that fuels Rockefellers every day, Dearing said.

"Everybody here is passionate about service, about this community, about being here," he said. "It's a blessing to be in this community and we are grateful for that opportunity. I mean, chef is here today, and it's his off day. That's how passionate he is about this, about giving back to these precious little girls in the community."

"It is my day off," Kruse admitted, "But I use to teach a while back. I use to go to the grade schools and teach. It was great. I enjoy it. I really do. It's great to see them smile when they create something, or see them enjoying cooking."

# Stopping water will cost snowbirds

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — A snowbird's flight to fancy costs extra seed money if they want their hometown water municipal service shut off for the duration.

A \$50 fee awaits Grosse Pointe Farms residents wanting their water service stopped while out of town.

The fee is less than the \$94.93 minimum bimonthly water bill, but

is enough to offset some costs of meeting the customer's wishes.

"We are getting an increased amount of water turnoff requests from residents leaving the area for winter," said John Lamerato, Farms controller and treasurer.

More than 15 times per year, he said, city personnel are deployed to curb-side valves, called stop boxes, to turn off a customer's water service, then turn it back on for the homeowner's return.

"This procedure not only takes time, it may also lead to other expenses relating to repairing stop boxes that are damaged due to the infrequent use of these valves," Lamerato said. "These type of repairs normally cost in excess of \$1,000."

The Farms' fee is more than normally charged in the other Grosse Pointes:

- ◆ City, \$39,
- ◆ Park, \$25,
- ◆ Shores, \$0 and
- ◆ Woods, \$30.

# Park pass applications a sure sign of spring

By John McTaggart  
Staff writer

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — Is it a sign that spring is coming?

Many Grosse Pointe Woods residents certainly hope so.

The city is opening up applications for 2015-16 park passes beginning Monday, March 2, Parks and Recreation Supervisor Nicole Byron said.

"They're going to be available that day forward," she said. "Residents can come to the community center with their application, fill one out in person at the community center, or they can fill out an online application as well."

Online applications will take about a week to 10 days to process and have the pass mailed out, while those choosing to apply

in person can get their pass on the same day.

"We expect to give out about 16,000 passes this year," Byron said. "That's pretty much a pass for every person in the city. We think that's something to be very happy about, very proud of."

The sheer number of passes issued is a testament to the quality of the city's crown jewel of parks, Lake Front Park.

"I think the fact that so many people get their pass speaks to how well liked our parks are," she said. "Lake Front Park is a very unique and loved park in the city. There's so much for everyone to enjoy there."

Residents who have passes from last year will notice an overlap in the time between the expiration date on the pass from 2014-15, and the availability of this year's

passes, Byron said.

"That's on purpose," she said. "We do that so not everyone is coming in at one time. This way, people have a couple of months to get their new park pass before the old pass expires on April 30."

E-mails with applications are slated to be sent out within the next week or so, Byron said, to those who are part of the city's email notification system.

"If you're one of those people who is not already on our e-mail list and you want to get an online application, it's not hard to get on that list," she said. "Just e-mail your name and address to parks@gpwmi.us."

Filling out an online application shouldn't be an intimidating process, either, she said.

"Just complete the electronic form, make sure you type 'electronic park pass application in the subject line, and hit the send button. That's it," Byron said. "We'll email you when your pass is ready to be picked up."

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# Block grants dealt

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — Municipal officials allocated the bulk of this year's community development block grant funds to a housing rehabilitation program conducted by Services for Older Citizens.

That sentence, describing this year's block grant allocation, is copied verbatim from last year's account of block grant distributions in Grosse Pointe Farms.

SOC always gets a hefty portion of the grant, issued annually by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and funneled through Wayne County.

Of this year's \$33,446.76 grant to the Farms, a united city council on Monday, Feb. 12, steered \$24,985.07, or 75 percent, to the housing rehab program, which involves assisting senior citizens make minor home repairs.

Some 15 percent, or \$5,017.01, was directed to public services.

The city keeps the remaining 10 percent, \$3,444.68, to cover its administration costs.

SOC operates minor home repair and housing rehabilitation programs for residents of the five Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

— Brad Lindberg



# Winterfest a great family time

By John McTaggart  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — "I'm just having a good time," Tabitha O'Connor, 9, said. "I've done just about everything here and it's been fun."

O'Connor joined hundreds of others Saturday at the Woods' Winterfest, which took place at Lake Front park Jan. 31.

"I came here with my sister and brother-and-law," Warren resident Camille Grace said. "And I'm so impressed. My son is having a great time, and all the kids especially, are really enjoying themselves. That's what is important, you know."

Grace and her son took part in a wide array of activities at the event ranging from a chili cook off to inflatables and



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

**Sisters Ally and Mia Metry practice their fancy skating moves. It was Ally's 10th birthday, making it an extra special day.**

more. Winterfest is a point of pride for the Woods' residents and administration, city administrator Skip Fincham said.

"Every year we have a very successful Winterfest," Fincham said. "Of course, we have the chili cook off and the cookie contest and those are always a big hit. That, and we the hot dogs, too. It's something that we're all very proud to be a part of, and very proud and happy to be able to put on for the residents."

Parks and recreation supervisor Nicole Byron spearheads the event.

"Nicole (Byron) just does a great job with this," Fincham said. "It takes a lot to put this together every year and she, along with the DPW, just do a wonderful job."

The sentiment was echoed by Mary Ann Fuchera, who attended the event with three generations of her family.

"It's for families like mine," she said. "I've got my mom, who is 80-years old, myself and my two daughters with me and everyone is enjoying themselves. There really aren't many opportunities like this around these days."



Not so "Frozen," Caroline Worden and Elsa Watson enjoy chili for lunch.

# Playing in the Park

Paige Galliven was being silly and posing on her sled all the way down the hill. This year for the Chilly Fest at Windmill Pointe Park in Grosse Pointe Park, held Jan. 31, park crews brought the snow from the parking lot into the park and created a sledding hill. Below, instead of using a carrot for the snowman's nose, 18-month-old Katelyn Holloway tried feeding the carrot to the snowman.



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that's good. R-rated movies are not what the theater is there for. The new theater will have a wider selection of movies to choose from and some of those might be R rated."

Solomon was quick to point out the section of R rated films will be chosen from those within reasonable limits.

"Of course, we're going to make sure none of these movies are objectionable," she said.

Lavins Center manager Mary Beth Hathaway has a front-row seat of the construction and is already looking forward to the theater's opening.

"There's a lot of work to be done yet," Hathaway said. "A lot. But, it's moving along."

The weather has derailed the schedule somewhat, she said, but the main structure is up and crews are working to install heating and cooling systems and get the outside of the building bricked.

"Right now, the inside is dirt," Hathaway said. "So that means there's a lot left to do. The entire interior has to be done yet."

June 1, 2015, is the target date, but Hathaway is cautiously optimistic about that goal.

"Hopefully that'll be the day," she said. "But there's been weather issues, and that's put us a little behind. Still, I would like to see that June 1 date be the day we open. We'll see."

Whenever the theater opens to residents, it'll be the fruition of a long-standing yearning by many within the Park's city government.

"It has been an idea that has been out there for a while," Hathaway said. "The city manager thought it would be a great addition for a while now."

Thanks to the Grosse Pointe Park Foundation, that idea is taking shape, and Hathaway said she believes it'll be well-received and make the entire facility more dynamic.

"That second screen

really effects bookings," going on at the same time. That's going to be very nice."

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blood donors are needed to help maintain a sufficient blood supply.

Two drives will be held in the Pointes. The first is 8:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Woods. The second is 9 a.m. to 7:45 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, at Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms.

# The Week Ahead

**THURSDAY, FEB. 12**

◆ The Rev. Faith Fowler, author and executive director of the Cass Community Social Services, discusses her book, "This Far By Faith" from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the Country Club of Detroit. Book sale proceeds benefit the Cass Community Social Services. There is a dress code. For more information, call (313) 410-7177.

◆ The Family Center hosts "Taking Care While Giving Care" from 5 to 9 p.m. at Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. The free workshop provides information on care giving and for caregivers. To register, visit familycenterweb.org.

**FRIDAY, FEB. 13**

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores mayor's office hour is 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. For an appointment call, (313) 881-6565.

**SATURDAY, FEB. 14**

◆ Valentine's Day

**MONDAY, FEB. 16**

◆ President's Day  
◆ All Grosse Pointe city offices are closed.

◆ County, state and federal offices are closed.  
◆ Banks are closed.

**TUESDAY, FEB. 17**

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores village council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers.

**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18**

◆ The Family Center hosts a Meet & Greet for Professionals from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Services for Older Citizens, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms. School, mental health and professionals working with youth and families can attend. To register, visit familycenterweb.org.

◆ The Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts Oscar Night at the Library, Picks and Pan for 2014, at 7:30 p.m. at the Woods branch. To register, visit the library's website, gp.lib.mi.us.

◆ The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club meets at noon at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Following lunch, Michele Hodges discusses the Belle Isle Conservancy. Guest reservations can be made by calling Susan Plath at (313) 884-5081.

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"From time-to-time, we've had issues with dogs being aggressive toward other dogs," said Shane Reeside, city manager. "I'm only aware of one or two instances where we decided the (offending) dog is not welcome to the park."

Councilman Peter Waldmeir, an attorney,

said he wrote the vicious dog ordinance.

New procedures, he said, broaden enforcement.

"This gives us a bigger net," he said. "If there's a problem, we can take care of it."

Entry to the residents-only facility is by a pass issued through the parks and recreation department.

Dogs must be licensed and vaccinated to enter the park, Reeside said.

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# Nonprofit has perfect partner with schools

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

The Piet Van school in Dhaka, Bangladesh may be nearly 8,000 miles away from Maire Elementary School, but students from both schools will soon share a special bond.

The Maire student council has adopted Piet Van as a "sister school" through the THRIVE project, a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing healthy meals to impoverished students attending school in the most desperate of Bangladesh slums.

In simple terms, according to Maire parent and Grosse Pointe Park resident Gina Gabel, who started THRIVE, the concept is a simple one: find hungry kids and feed them.

Gabel and her family, including Maire students Lucy, 7, and Alice, 5,

lived in Bangladesh for nearly a year while her husband, Louis, was attached to the U.S. Embassy. Gabel returned to the United States in June 2013 to await the birth of the littlest Gabel, Etta. But while in Dhaka, she was committed to making a difference in the lives of the children who live there.

Gabel recently introduced Maire students to students at Piet Van School, a small structure in the middle of the notorious Korail slum. The school provides a refuge for children who are lucky to be able to attend school in a place where most children are forced to work to provide needed income for their families.

In a slide presentation, Gabel showed Maire students what life is like in Dhaka, and especially in the Korail slum, where children their age live on streets or families of six

live in one room shanties barely bigger than an average Grosse Pointe bedroom.

But it's at the Piet Van school where the children of Korail find hope, and, now, thanks to the efforts of Gabel and her non-profit THRIVE, they find a nourishing meal.

With the cost of a healthy meal, consisting of cucumbers, carrots and bananas, being just 25 cents, a donation of \$50, \$100 or \$250 can go a very long way.

And that's what the Maire student council hopes to raise through at least two fundraisers involving Grosse Pointe students' favorite foods, Hungry Howie's Pizza and Which Wich Wednesday.

According to Maire fourth-grade teacher Neal Gross, the support of the students of Piet Van will be an ongoing project.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ANN MARIE SMIHAL

Maire parent and founder of THRIVE, Gina Gabel, shares pictures of what life is like for students in the Piet Van School in Dhaka, Bangladesh with fourth grade students at Maire.

"The need is not going away," he told his students, "and this will be project students will support for a long time."

After sharing several pictures of life in Dhaka with the students, Gabel asked them to go home

and share the story of the children of Piet Van with their families.

"We need to be thankful for everything we have, to be thankful you can go to school, and to be thankful for our houses and our families,"

she said.

For additional information on THRIVE, please visit [www.thrivedhaka.blogspot.com](http://www.thrivedhaka.blogspot.com) or THRIVE's Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/thriveducategrow](http://www.facebook.com/thriveducategrow).

# City approves new spring charity event

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — While commercial development continues in the downtown district, elected officials are breaking ground of another kind.

They've sanctioned a non-municipal event this spring on city-owned property in the Village commercial center.

Although it's the first time they've done so in recent memory, it probably won't be the last if the

event benefits the district's restaurants and shops.

"It's brand new for us, which is good," said Dale Scrace, mayor of the City of Grosse Pointe. "We continually try to find ways to bring new people to the Village."

One dozen businesses opened in the Village during the last half of 2014.

The special event is called "Bubbles & Bow Ties" and benefits the Rock CF Foundation, a hometown woman's charity to better the lives of people suffering cystic fibrosis.

"The Rock CF Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit I founded in 2007," said Emily Schaller, of the city.

She also has the inherited disorder, which damages the lungs and digestive system.

About 30,000 people in the United States have cystic fibrosis, according

to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Schaller expects 100 to 125 people wearing bow ties to attend the fundraiser, 6:30 to 10 p.m. Saturday, May 9, in a portion of municipal parking Lot 3.

The lot is located off of St. Clair above Kercheval between Calico and the Neighborhood Club.

Tickets cost \$100 to \$250 and include champagne, catered food, musical entertainment and a raffle.

"The intent is to celebrate Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month with a bow tie and sparkling wine," Schaller said.

About 40 percent of participants will be from outside the Pointes, Schaller said.

"It's a small disease, so we're trying to make a bigger presence in the area," she said.

"Emily offers to direct people attending the event to park in (municipal) garage, so we have less potential for conflict" with motorists shopping and dining in the Village, said Peter Dame, city manager.

Councilman Donald Parthum hopes attendees cap their evening at a Village restaurant.

Schaller is paying the city \$500 to use the lot.

"The general principle is if some outside interest wants to use our park or facilities, we charge them," Dame said. "That would include use of parking spaces as well. There is a loss of revenue from cars that would be displaced."

At noon the day of the event, workers start installing a temporary tent and about 10 portable toilets.

"Teardown is by 11:30 p.m.," Schaller said.

Her request to use the lot has city officials preparing for more.

"This might be a good time for a special events ordinance," said Councilwoman Jean Weipert.

"The city manager already raised that," said Charles Kennedy III, city attorney. "I'm working on it."

More about the Rock CF Foundation is at [letsrockcf.org](http://letsrockcf.org).

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## Keep it clean

There's a fire hydrant under all that snow and public safety officials want to remind residents to clear the snow away so hydrants are readily available in case of fire. Above, Grosse Pointe Farms firefighter Sundee Harland recently cleared the snow from hydrants on Mapleton. Residents are asked to help by not covering hydrants while shoveling. The first day of spring is only 35 days away.

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# Public Safety Reports

## City of Grosse Pointe

### I.D. fraud

A representative of a private tax service reportedly informed a City of Grosse Pointe woman last week someone fraudulently filed a tax return listing her 13-year-old daughter as a dependent.

### Drugs

An 18-year-old male motorist from Brownstown Township, being investigated at 6:26 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, for running a red light on eastbound Mack at Rivard, was arrested for possessing 29 grams of marijuana.

The driver admitted buying the marijuana on Mack at Buckingham across from Grosse Pointe Park, police said.

Two male passengers, both 19, were released at the scene.

Police impounded the driver's red 2012 Chrysler 200.

### On walkabout

A 50-year-old Redford man's past overtook him walking in the roadway near the intersection of St. Clair and Waterloo at 9:53 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 5.

"As I made contact with (him), he seemed disoriented and not aware of his surroundings," said a patrolman. "He had a Friend of the Court warrant out of Wayne County. We proceeded to arrest

(him)."

### 9 suspensions

A woman being investigated for operating a car with an expired license plate was arrested at about 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, for violating nine driving suspensions.

A patrolman pulled her over on westbound Mack at Cadieux because her license plate expired in June, police said.

She also was wanted in Grosse Pointe Farms for failing to appear in court on an unspecified charge, according to police.

Six more warrants for the woman from Detroit totaled \$600 bond, police added.

—Brad Lindberg  
Report information about these or other crimes to the City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety Department at (313) 886-3200.

### Grosse Pointe Farms

#### Parked

A patrolman checking the welfare of a man at the wheel of a red 2015 Chrysler 200, parked on eastbound Beaupre near Charlevoix at 1 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, arrested him for drunken driving.

The man, 68, of Rochester Hills, had a .145 percent blood alcohol level, police said.

The level is nearly twice the state legal maximum to operate a motor vehicle.

"He stated he had one, 12-ounce beer approximately one hour before having contact with (me)," police said.

#### Canned

Shortly before 4 a.m. Friday, Feb. 6, police ordered a man with a long criminal history to vacate the public rest-

room of a service station at Mack and Moross.

"Two Detroit police officers stated (he) asked them for a ride and \$1 for food," said a Farms patrolman.

The man, 24, of Detroit, gave several false names before officers determined his true identity.

"(He) was hard to understand and fidgety," said the patrolman. "His eyes were red and glossy. His pupils were pinpoint.

(He) had no odor of alcohol intoxicants, but appeared to be high off a narcotic."

His criminal history showed several aliases and multiple crimes, including a 2006 robbery in Ferndale, police said.

He's also wanted on a \$50,000 warrant from Oak Park for disorderly conduct.

Farms police arrested him for trespassing and giving false information to police.

#### Cleaned out

Some \$500 cash and gift cards totaling \$1,275 were reported stolen last week from a residence in the 100 block of Beaupre.

Both suspects are affiliated with a cleaning service, the homeowners told police Thursday, Feb. 5.

—Brad Lindberg  
Report information about these or other crimes to the Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department at (313) 885-2100.

### Grosse Pointe Shores

#### Four-time loser

A Florida woman, 53, on probation for her third drunken driving conviction, did it a fourth time last weekend, according to police.

A patrolman pulled her over on southbound

Lakeshore near Duval at 11:06 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, for speeding 19 mph above the 35 mph limit.

She registered a .156 percent blood alcohol level, according to the arresting officer.

There wasn't much chitchat during booking at headquarters.

"(She) refused to answer any questions until she could talk to her sister, who is an attorney," said police.

—Brad Lindberg  
Report information about these or other crimes to the Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety Department at (313) 881-5500.

### Grosse Pointe Woods

#### In the snow

Police were dispatched to the 1500 block of Sunningdale Wednesday, Feb. 4, when a couple woke to the sound of running water coming from outside the house. Before calling the police, the man observed a set of footprints around the perimeter of his house in the snow. The prints led from the house back to the sidewalk. Police followed the prints but were unable to discover anything stolen from the property.

#### Gone

A woman in the 2000 block of Vernier reported to police Tuesday, Feb. 3, her boyfriend took her black Hyundai at about 1 a.m. and failed to return it. Officers were told she and her boyfriend were splitting up and as she was preparing to leave, he took her car. She reported to police the vehicle was returned later that morning.

#### Wrong name

Officers at Harper and Allard pulled over a vehicle in the early hours of Feb. 10, when the vehicle passed them with what appeared to be no license plate. When the suspect was questioned about his driver's license and registration, he was unable to provide them, according to the police report. He gave police his name, which, when officers ran an I.D. search they discovered to be a false identity. Instead, the suspect was arrested for an outstanding breaking and entering bench warrant in the 36th District Court.

—John McTaggart  
Report information on these and other crimes to the Grosse Pointe Woods public safety at (313) 343-2400.

### Grosse Pointe Park

#### Arrested

Officers arrested a 35-year old black male from Detroit Wednesday, Feb. 4, after a resident observed the suspect attempting to get into parked vehicles on the 1400 block of Somerset. Police were able to track the suspect down in the Vernor and Devonshire area and took the suspect into custody. The suspect was carrying a diaper bag with a folding saw, mini air compressor, drill bits and change inside. The following day, Feb. 5, a resident contacted police and reported the items stolen from his vehicle. Charges are pending.

—John McTaggart  
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## I SAY BY JOE WARNER

## Let's do what we can to help

There is still tremendous power behind a newspaper.

We share stories about people you wouldn't normally learn about. People who do extraordinary things, under the radar, to make our cities a better place to live and work. Actually, we do stories on ordinary people who do ordinary things, too.

But the power of newspapers continues to shine brightly - as was proven in the Detroit Free Press story of "walking man."

The story was about a Detroit resident who walks 21 miles each day, round trip, to work in Oakland County. The job, which according to the Free Press, pays \$10.55 an hour, wasn't enough for James Robertson to replace his car and pay for Detroit's outrageous insurance rates. Even with a perfect driving record, rates were quoted as high as \$900 per month.

He didn't receive help, but thanks to the newspaper story that introduced him to the world, he didn't have to ask. Others volunteered.

A Macomb County college student started a GoFundMe account, and as the story went worldwide in the media and on the Internet, donations came flooding. Nearly \$350,000 was donated, along with a new Ford Taurus from Suburban Collection in Sterling Heights. The story went from a local newspaper to worldwide in every way.

All in just a week.

It showed the power of a newspaper story. Taking the time to share a story is very rewarding and it brought help to someone who needed it. Someone who has earned it.

Which brings me to something you'll see in our Letters to the Editor this week.

We have a resident of the Farms discouraged about a lack of neighborly help after the Super Bowl snowstorm.

At 87 years old, she couldn't shovel. And she writes the lack of help wasn't a surprise to her.

Well, I'm surprised.

Maybe the neighbors didn't know she was home. Maybe someone else typically has cleared it, but they weren't home. We're going to get answers. But I'd also like to find help.

The handyman she hired is pretty expensive unless she has a sprawling estate with a mile long driveway. I doubt it. And maybe it's just me, but we aren't talking about a new furnace or roof or something.

I'd have a tough time clearing the driveway of an elderly neighbor and expect money for it. Sometimes you just do things.

I'll get more information from the resident this week and we'll look at solutions. I know there are readers of this paper who would be happy to help and I would like to talk to you. Call me at (313) 343-5590. Leave a message if I don't answer. Privately, we'll figure out a solution here. And next week, I'm sure I'll report help will be on the way the next time it snows.

This is a giving community. Who is willing to give a little time the next time it snows?

If you know of someone worthy of recognition for going the extra mile in the neighborhood, let us know. There are many who volunteer and refuse any public acknowledgment for the work they do. But we'll ask them anyway.

Send us the information of our neighborhood heroes and we'll highlight them. And if they want to keep quiet, we'll say thank you from our community!

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## I SAY BY BOB ST. JOHN

## A tribute to Dave Bergman

Grosse Pointer Dave Bergman lost his long battle with cancer when he died Feb. 2.

The 61-year-old was instrumental in developing youth baseball here in the Pointes after spending several years playing for the Detroit Tigers.

I first met Bergman as a 15-year-old when he signed a Tigers pennant my dad bought me when we went to a game at Tiger Stadium in 1984.

Bergman was a first baseman on the Tigers' 1984 World Series winning team. During that magical season, he hit .273 with eight doubles, five triples and seven home runs.

His biggest homer that season came June 4 when he stepped to the plate in the bottom of the 10th inning with two on and two outs against the Toronto Blue Jays.

At the time, the Blue

Jays trailed the first place Tigers by five games and they were the only team in the American League East Division, which had a chance to catch Detroit in the standings.

Bergman fouled off not just one or two, but seven pitches on a full count. He hit the 13th pitch of the at bat into the upper deck at Tiger Stadium.

In his season-long diary that became the book "Bless You Boys", which I have a copy of, Detroit manager, Sparky Anderson, wrote, "Tonight I saw the greatest at bat in my life... Bergie fouled off seven pitches and then picked one practically off the ground and drilled it into the upper deck in right. What a battle! Bergie was up there a full seven minutes."

He hit a career high .294 for the Tigers in 1988, and in Aug. 1989, he broke up a Nolan Ryan no-hitter with a one-out single in the

ninth inning. On August 5, 1989, Bergman recorded a putout of Chicago White Sox shortstop Ozzie Guillen using the hidden ball trick.

Those are the accomplishments I remember from my teenage years as an avid Tigers fan. I listened on the radio to as many games as possible and it was like yesterday listening to those memorable feats.

After his playing days, Bergman stayed in the Detroit area and lived in Grosse Pointe.

He started the travel baseball program, the Redbirds, in 1994, naming them after his alma mater, Illinois State. He took his first team of 15-year-olds for four years.

According to long time friend, Dan Griesbaum, the long time head coach of Grosse Pointe South varsity baseball team, Bergman started the Grosse Pointe Showcase with the encouragement of Tony Braun and Dick Swarhout.

This venue gave Grosse Pointe baseball players, as well as those ball players throughout the state, a chance to showcase their talents in front of hundreds of college scouts.

This showcase continued to sell out with 156 players competing on 12 teams. This continues to be the main fundraising arm of the Redbirds programs to this day, Griesbaum said.

Griesbaum also said Bergman has enabled hundreds of kids to pursue their baseball careers beyond the high school level, including Chris Getz, who went on to earn a scholarship to play baseball at the University of Michigan

before playing Major League Baseball for the White Sox, Kansas City Royals and Blue Jays.

He was honest with his players and spent countless hours talking to college coaches about the players in his programs and preparing the fields for play.

Bergman used his baseball knowledge to teach players how to fundamentally play the game, and he gave back 1,000 percent to the game.

All three high school baseball programs in the Grosse Pointes, Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South and University Liggett, had or have players who benefited from Bergman.

"Summer baseball will not be the same this year without Dave Bergman," Griesbaum said. "There will be a tremendous void. But the Redbirds and the Michigan Baseball Showcase will continue in his honor, always operating with his objectives at the forefront of all we do.

"The hundreds of players that he has influenced over the years have gone on to all walks of life, including doctors, lawyers, businessmen, teachers, coaches, even fighter pilots.

"But most importantly, they all became better people having been influenced by Dave."

I reunited with Bergman a couple of years ago, interviewing him for a story. During the interview, he took the time to ask me about my children and about their athletic endeavors.

Bergman will always be an iconic figure here in the Grosse Pointes. He will be missed, but not forgotten.

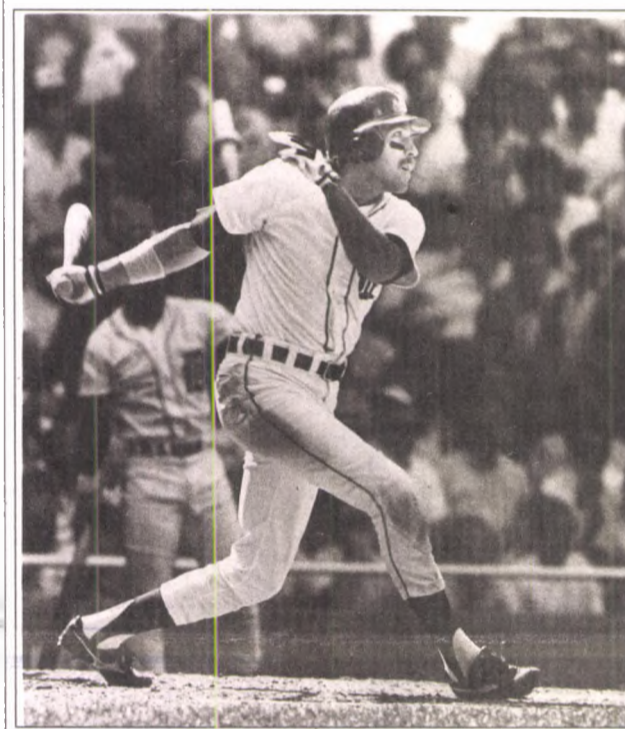


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## LETTERS

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## Tired of being squeezed

## To the Editor:

Lt. Gov. Calley and Gov. Rick Snyder want to eliminate the gasoline tax. How convenient. Now that fuel prices are at a 10-year low, the tax man is taking a significant hit. They want to replace it with a one percent increase in the sales tax from 6 to 7 percent. Their scam is just another way to boost overall taxes from every possible source.

Politicians make promises which they never keep. They always lie to us. If we got everything the politicians promise us, there would be no inducement to go to heaven.

By definition, money from the general sales tax goes to the general fund from which it is apportioned to different departments. Money that was supposed to be used for road repairs was diverted to other departments. Politicians always find a way to steal money preserved for one department and divert it to some petty project they are in love with.

Taxpayers are tired of being squeezed. Why not uses they money as it was lawfully intended!

B.J. KHALIFAH  
Grosse Pointe Park

## Thankful for public servants

## To the Editor:

It's 6 a.m. and there's over 17 inches of snow on the ground. My husband falls in the house. I call 911. Within minutes the Grosse Pointe Woods Police (Brian) and MedStar (Amy and Jeff) arrive. It takes a half of an hour for these three public servants to shovel a path through the heavy snow in order to get the stretcher carrying my husband to the ambulance. Why does it take an incident like this to fully appreciate the services of these people? We tend to take them for granted until the unexpected occurs. They put their lives on the line daily in perilous situations while handling themselves in a professional and caring manner.

You are really appreciated.

Thanks Brain, Amy and Jeff.

JANET MUELLER  
Grosse Pointe Woods

## Former resident shares concerns

## To The Editor:

This letter is in response and support of Javier Defrini's letter that appeared in the Feb. 5, 2015, edition of the Grosse

Pointe News. I am a former resident of Grosse Pointe and my children attended the Grosse Pointe schools. My sister lives in Grosse Pointe and sent me Mr. Defrini's letter with a note, "Some things never change."

I had the same concerns as Mr. Defrini when I lived in Grosse Pointe. I was aware of the sense of entitlement many parents have and how it affects the students. Numerous times we would see students go up to receive awards while their classmates were dumbfounded and looked shocked. Obvious choices for these awards were overlooked. I've seen many of my children's friends stop playing their favorite sports because of frustration and loss of interest. Their talents were not recognized in favor of students with lesser talent. I've even heard of administrators going to coaches and telling them that certain students are to be placed on the team no questions asked. When I decided to speak up, administrators appeared to look concerned to appease me, but did absolutely nothing to correct the situation. The same happened with a couple of school board members I spoke with. Could that be the reason so many parents are complacent? Yes, as Mr. Defrini eloquently points out, "awards, certificates, athletic meanings have become meaningless." Of course, this is very frustrating for the students.

My niece, a current student in the Grosse Pointe schools, told me she wonders if these students ever achieved anything on their own, or if it was all because of their parents. That's a good question. What happens to them in

the future when they don't experience losing, or don't really have to work at anything toward their goals? Some of them get into their choice colleges not on their own merits, but because their parents called, wrote a letter or made a sizable donation.

Grosse Pointe Schools need to work on their integrity. Maybe along with a zero tolerance of bullying, there should be a zero tolerance of favoritism. Yes, Mr. Defrini, you are correct when you say, "There should be a level playing field with only one set of rules that applies to everyone equally."

AUBREY MOSAKOWSKI  
Modesto, California

## A "Hello Salute" suggested for police

## To the Editor:

The police forces in many of our communities across America have recently been challenged related to the way that they endeavor to do their job. It is fitting to note that when we need a helping hand die to unforeseen circumstances we are more than thankful and grateful when the police officer or fire fighter is present to give us a helping hand and needed support. The Grosse Pointe police officers and fire fighters are the top tier public servants. Let's thank them for the job they do for us.

I suggest we acknowledge and support our community police officers and fire fighters in a positive way. I am advocating that we show our respect

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for these public servants with an affirmative "hello salute," gesture when we encounter their presence. This simple gesture can be accomplished by each of us when we are in the car, on the street or in a store. The "hello salute" acknowledges our individual appreciation for the positive job they do for each of us everyday. Who knows, maybe this gesture will catch on across our great nation. If you agree, make it happen.

HAL MESSACAR  
Grosse Pointe Farms

**Full Circle Foundation says thank you**

**To the Editor:**

Last Thursday the Full Circle Foundation held its annual fundraiser at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial - Raise the Roof III. Full Circle Foundation works to benefit Grosse Pointe's community members with special needs by providing transition services that assist in the progression from school to independent living through its numerous programs.

Our own Devin Scillian graciously hosted the sold out event that showcased a wide range of musical talent including Catfish Mafia, Nick Kuhl and the Gang, Elizabeth Cronin and Lauren Christian, a combined choir from Maire and Mason Elementary Schools under the direction of Glen Hipple, and many acts involving the members with special needs. Members of the Full Circle Program

were in the spotlight in a dance number sponsored by Kercheval Dance, a segment recognizing four members of the Kercheval Kroger team by the store manager Paul Stavale, and a choir number performed by the community school participants under the direction of Nadia Harris. The big finale featured the combined talents of the Maire/Mason choir and all the participants with special needs. Additional community leaders who were featured were our Honorary Event Chairperson, Mary Ann VanElslander, and our amazing auctioneer, Jeff Laethem.

The Board of Directors of Full Circle Foundation, on behalf of all of the special needs community members we serve, wants to express our heartfelt appreciation to the hundreds of people who helped make this year's program a night to remember.

In addition to those mentioned previously, we would also like to recognize the support we received from Grosse Pointe Public Schools central administration and the principals, staff, and parents from all the schools involved (especially the large group from Maire and Mason).

We would also like to recognize and thank the many committee members and staff at Full Circle who worked so hard for several months for making this night both memorable and successful. The Grosse Pointe community can be proud of these efforts to keep this population learning and contributing in the community.

MARY FODELL  
KARL KRATZ  
BILL MESTDAGH  
TERRY CRAMER  
Full Circle Foundation  
Board of Directors

**Praise for Grosse Pointe Park leaders**

**To the Editor:**

As a long time resident of Grosse Pointe Park, I was extremely disappointed to read the negative letter attacking our city leaders for their purchase and demolition of the Deck Bar and adjacent Pointe Party Store. Instead of being criticized, they should be thanked for removing blighted structures along our boundary with Detroit. And, they should be commended for teaming up with Detroit to continue this effort into this city.

Our community has many things to be proud of — all of which are a result of the proactive leadership that we have enjoyed for many years. The best parks, with exercise center (and soon) two theaters. A library, thriving entertainment areas, excellent police response times and rising property values. And, a new art center is on the horizon.

These good outcomes don't occur in a vacuum. They occur because Grosse Pointe Park has leaders with the fore-

sight to make well planned long-term decisions. Keep up the good work.

RICHARD SCHROEDER  
Grosse Pointe Park

**No help from neighbors following storm**

**To the Editor:**

The big snowstorm came and went and left me with over a foot of snow in my driveway. I live in Grosse Pointe Farms on a main street. The snowplow buried the entrance to my driveway in almost three feet of heavy snow.

I am 87 years old, not infirm but not able to shovel so much snow. Now the purpose of my letter is to ask about the phrase: "Neighbors helping neighbors". Apparently not in my neighborhood. No one came to my rescue which was no surprise. I ended up calling a handyman who came with his 11-year old son and shoveled out my drive for the cost of \$70. When he was through he suggested that a tip would be in order. Does that sound reasonable to anyone or does anyone feel as I do that I was taken advantage of?

Neighbors in Detroit seem to respond better than those in lovely Grosse Pointe Farms.

THERESA EDWARDS  
Grosse Pointe Farms

**City seeks grant**

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — City administrators plan to use nearly all of this year's Community Development Block Grants to reconstruct the sidewalk curb cuts in compliance with the American Disabilities Act.

A final decision comes at the 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 23, meeting of the City of Grosse Pointe council.

Installing sidewalk ramps at intersections is an ongoing project.

About 40 percent of the city's intersections still need to be changed, according to Peter Dame, city manager.

If the city's current

application for \$38,000 in block grants is approved, some \$33,000 is targeted for ADA-compliant sidewalk work.

The \$5,000 balance compensates the city for administering the program.

Grants come from the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Distribution is through counties to municipalities. The first of two public meetings on the topic was last week.

"In a slight twist from previous years, we are required by Wayne County to hold two meetings," Dame said. "This is intended to give the public a direct say in how CDBG funds are spent and make other suggestions."

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## You need to know

### About drugs and alcohol

By Ann L. Fouty  
Community Editor

The more knowledge, the better the understanding and the more informed the conversation.

Substance abuse and recovery and law enforcement professionals would like mothers and fathers of middle and high school students and professionals to be well informed about drugs and alcohol, as well as the consequences of using and abusing them.

Parents need a tool box brimming with information before talking with their children about drug abuse, said Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Detective John Walko.

He is one of several professionals who are part of the Family Center-sponsored "Drugs & Alcohol: What Parents and Professionals Need to Know" workshop.

Prescription drugs, pharm parties, narcotics, heroin and legal consequences are topics to be covered during a free event beginning at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

"Substance abuse cannot be considered a taboo topic," said Dona Johnson-Beach, the program's planning chairwoman. "The reality is that all youth are exposed to alcohol and substance abuse in some way, shape or form. Whether it's their own use, knowledge of a peer who uses, exposure in the community, or unfortunately, knowing someone who has died. We need to have the necessary talks with our youth about substance abuse.

"Education about sub-



PHOTOS BY RENÉE LANDUYT

In an antiperspirant container public safety officers have found it can be filled with small baggies of marijuana, rolling papers and a lighter. Items were provided by the Grosse Pointe Farms public safety department from a past drug case.

stances, resources for support, having conversations with youth, while connecting and caring for each other, rather than judging is what is needed to prevent teens from taking risks that can lead to addiction and death. We've experienced too much sadness and tragedy related to substance use."

"It's a very hard issue for parents to face and hopefully the presentation will start the conversation that helps families receive information, help and recovery for those that need it," said presenter and counselor Catherine A. Zatkoff.

"There are so many drugs and so many ways to use them that it's overwhelming."

"Marijuana is incredibly prevalent," Walko said of what he sees in Grosse Pointe schools.

It is still the "gateway" drug meaning it opens the door to other drug use, including heroin, which, he said, is pure and dangerous, and also is being cut with high-grade pain killers.

Debra Jay, nationally recognized in the field of substance abuse and recovery and a Grosse Pointe Farms resident, is the evening's keynote speaker and covers the



Evidence of past drug cases from the Grosse Pointe Farms public safety department include bags and bags of confiscated pharmaceuticals.

topic "Confronting drugs and alcohol use, Realities, Preventing Tragedies" in a 45-minute talk.

Following the main speaker, half-hour breakout sessions feature Jay, drug recognition expert Ken Krygel, Walko and Zatkoff. They cover topics such as how to have necessary talks with youth about drugs and alcohol, the trending abuse of prescription drugs and their availability and learning about harder drugs, their accessibility, identification and warning signs of addiction. Another breakout session option covers the consequences of

legal and beyond.

Attendees may choose two of four breakout session topics.

"The scariest thing teens don't ask," Zarkoff said, "is what happens if I take this pill or snort this drug. The things I hear in my office about weekend parties, and the lack of any fear of side effects and consequences, has me deeply concerned for their safety. Teens are not just abusing drugs on weekends, for those that have an addiction, it can easily become daily use. This is often when the issue is uncovered and

school and legal consequences are added into the mix."

Walko added, "High school kids will find clandestine ways to hide (drugs) and to obtain them and a willingness to put themselves in harm's way."

"It is all of us uniting as a group to create awareness and understanding that hard topics such as substance abuse can no longer be avoided," Johnson-Beach said. "It is only through these necessary conversations that we can evoke awareness, understanding and positive change.

"We feel fortunate that many stakeholders in the community are passionate about our youth and want to see them grow and be the leaders of tomorrow," she said. "The Family Center has spearheaded this presentation in partnership with Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and the Grosse Pointe News."

Parents, students, professionals and the public can attend the free workshop.

Additionally, Jay will be signing and selling her latest book, "It Takes a Family," when the doors open at 6:15 p.m. Books will be available for purchase.

### Follow up

The Family Center and community stakeholders are planning follow up conversations for continued awareness and understanding, including a partnership with the public library.

"We are teaming up with the Grosse Pointe Public Library to create a one book, one community type event to keep dialogue and discussions at the forefront," Johnson-Beach said.



PHOTO BY RENÉE LANDUYT

Joseph Hellwarth, left, and Ryan Duffy, right, are part of an assembly line making pb&j sandwiches for the homeless.

## Bagging up love

In the past four-and-a-half years, Diane Soulliere of Grosse Pointe Woods has seen 21,867 brown bag lunches made and distributed to Detroit's homeless.

It's her way of giving back to others, said Soulliere, the founder of the International Brown Bag Lunches of Love in the greater Detroit area.

The idea started simply enough.

Eighth grade students in her catechism class at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church needed community service hours. As the instructor, she put her class to work. The following year it was the sixth-grade catechism class.

"Instead of 150 sandwiches, we did

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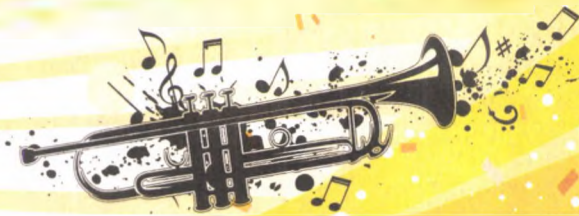


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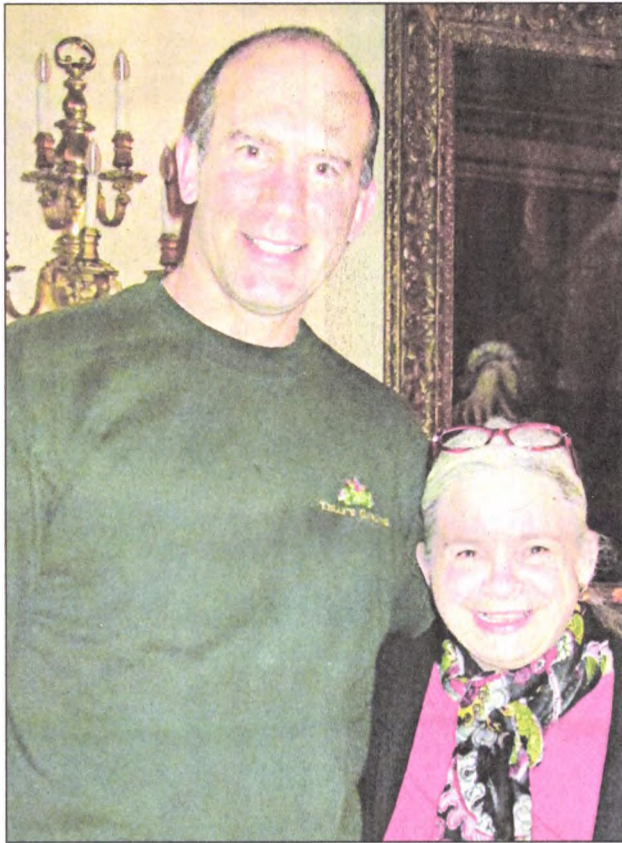
## des Jardinieres

La Societe des Jardinieres meets at noon Thursday, Feb. 12, in the Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe boardroom.

Guest speaker Hope Hoffman discusses shade gardening. The day's hostess is Lyn Gordon and lunch will be served.

## Men's and Women's Garden Club

The Men's and Women's Garden Club of Grosse Pointe meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, at Brownell Middle School. Wayne County Commissioner Tim Killeen (D-Detroit) discusses the state of the county. Coffee and donuts will be served. Guests can attend. Call (313) 473-8625 for more details.



George Papadelis of Telly's Greenhouse and Grosse Pointe Garden Center president Robin Heller at the Jan. 16 garden center's annual meeting. He discussed new plant varieties.

## BNI

Business Network International meets at 7 a.m. Friday, Feb. 13, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Contact Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526 for more information on this business-oriented group.



State Sen. Judy Emmons

Gerlach or Susan Kopf at (313) 882-9600.

The Movie, "And So it Goes," can be seen at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, at SOC. The cost is \$2.

It also will be shown at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, following a pizza lunch. The cost for the meal and movie is \$4. For reservations, call (313) 882-9600.

## Eastside Republicans

State Sen. Judy Emmons (R-Sheridan), discusses the exploitation and abuse of human trafficking from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

She explains the legislative process and how people can get involved. Emmons pushed passage of the legislative package aimed at decreasing trafficking in Michigan and signed into law by Gov. Rick Snyder in 2014.

Among other provisions, victims and survivors can sue their captors for damages resulting from physical and mental suffering, damage and destruction of property.

The event is free and the public can attend.



## Gathering

Lake House Executive Director Madeline Bialecki, center, was the guest speaker at the Jan. 26 Rotary Club meeting. As executive director of The Lake House, she promotes its mission of helping anyone who has been touched by cancer. Bialecki has experience with cancer having been a caregiver for a close friend who had brain cancer. Helping her friend through radiation treatments, infections and setbacks, Bialecki said she received a crash course in oncology and its complications. With Bialecki are Rotary programs committee chairman Ted Everingham, left, and four-year cancer survivor Pam Stanley, right.

## NAMI

The National Alliance on Mentally Ill Eastside meets at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16, at Henry Ford Cottage, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more information, call Barb at (313) 886-8004.

## SOC

Know the 10 signs of Alzheimer's — early detection is the 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17, topic at Services for Older Citizens.

Members from the Alzheimer's Association — Greater Michigan chapter will participate in the discussion.

The chapter holds a support group meeting from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, at SOC. For more information, call JoAnn



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# OBITUARIES

Obituary notices are purchased and often prewritten by family or friends. While we try to run obituaries as submitted, we nevertheless reserve the right to edit for accuracy, style and length.

## David B. Bergman

David B. Bergman, 61, died Monday, Feb. 2, 2015.

He was the beloved husband of Cathryn (nee Link) for 39 cherished years; loving father of Troy (Jacqueline), Bria (Alex Field) Bergman and Erika Bergman and proud grandfather of Avery and Jackson Bergman.

He also is survived by his siblings, Steve, Sandra Shy (Les), Glenn (Consuelo) and Jeff (Patrice).

He was predeceased by his adoring parents, Donald and Gloria.

Mr. Bergman attended Illinois State University where he earned a degree in business. He played professional baseball for 18 years; the last nine as a Detroit Tiger. He was part of the 1984 Detroit Tigers World Series Championship team. After baseball, he worked as an investment counselor for Sigma Investment Counselors in Southfield.

Mr. Bergman enjoyed being with his family, fishing and mentoring young men in youth baseball.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

Share a memory at [wujekcalcaterra.com](http://wujekcalcaterra.com).

## Dorothy Martin Crowley

Dorothy Martin Crowley, "Dotty," passed away peacefully Saturday, Feb. 7, 2015, with family by her side, at Church of Christ Assisted Living, after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease. She was predeceased by her adoring husband of 62 years, John G. "Jerry" Crowley.

She and her husband first met when both attended St. Agnes Catholic Elementary school in Detroit. Mrs. Crowley, who was born in New York City to Robert and Loretta Martin, graduated from Holy Angels Academy in Buffalo, N.Y. She was reunited with Mr. Crowley through mutual friends while attending Marygrove College in Detroit, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1944.

She taught several years at Sacred Heart Academy and spent summers as a counselor at Grosse Pointe University School's Camp Savery. She and Mr. Crowley married in 1947, settling in Grosse Pointe Farms, where they raised their four children. Mrs. Crowley was active in her children's lives as they attended St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School. She volunteered with playground supervision, scout activities, was an occasional substitute teacher, and with her husband was seen in the cheering section at their children's sporting events.

Mrs. Crowley was active in Sacred Heart Academy's Children of Mary Association and attended regular retreats at Manresa Jesuit Retreat House in Bloomfield Hills. She was

involved with the Marygrove College Alumni Association, where she served as president, as well as a member of the board of directors for numerous years.

The importance of family was an ideal greatly emphasized by Mrs. Crowley in every aspect of her life. Whether it was family dinners, bike rides, boating adventures, picnics at the Farms Pier, Sunday Masses followed by breakfast at The Original Pancake House, trips to Glen Lake or cross country in a camper, board games or jigsaw puzzles, all were family adventures. Her love of boating taught her children, at an early age, to have a great respect for the beauty and accessibility of the lakes. The family spent a good part of their summers exploring Lake St. Clair in various boats. Mrs. Crowley loved music and never missed an opportunity to belt out lyrics or an entire song at social gatherings. She and her husband could often be found in the middle of the dance floor at any event.

Mrs. Crowley is survived by her children, Kathleen Steele (Joseph), Thomas (Bernadette), Patricia Marantette (Tom), and John (Kathy); grandchildren, Megan and Brian (Angela) Steele; Rachel, John (Kylie) and Robert (Becky) Crowley; Danielle, Debra, Kelly and Thomas Marantette and Michael, Anne and Jennifer Crowley and great-granddaughter, Adley Crowley.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Visitation begins at 9:15 a.m. at the church.

Donations may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit 48207.

## William Henry Chauvin Jr.

William Henry Chauvin Jr., 95, died Saturday, Feb. 7, 2015.

He was the loving father of Kathleen Chauvin and William Chauvin III (Christine); proud grandfather of Corinne Forbes (Adrian) and Kimberly Blair (Zachary) and great-grandfather of Sophia and Andrew Forbes and Amelia, Samuel and Reece Blair.

Visitation will be held from noon to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 13, at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms. Visitation begins at 9:30 a.m. at the church.

A private burial will be held Saturday, Feb. 21.

Donations may be made to St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or the Michigan Humane Society, 30300 Telegraph, Suite 220, Bingham Farms, MI 48025.

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## Hilda Carter

City of Grosse Pointe resident Hilda Carter, 89, died Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2015, at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

She was born Dec. 11, 1925, in London, England. She worked for General Motors Corp. where she was known as the red headed 14th Floor executive receptionist at the General Motors Building.

Ms. Carter survived the London Blitz of 1940 and the Oct. 17, 1989, earthquake in Santa Cruz, Calif.

Her family said she was vivacious, kind, funny and loved by many.

Ms. Carter is survived by her sister, June Greenwood, many nieces and nephews and friend, Kathleen Riwney. She also leaves behind her adored little white dog, Tiki.

"Remember the animals" was her cry and donations may be made to an animal-oriented charity of the donor's choice.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

## Patricia Wells Caulkins

Patricia Wells Caulkins, of Highlands Ranch, Colo., died Friday, Jan. 30, 2015, with family members at her side. She was 90.

She was born April 5, 1924, in Bay City, to William and Leah Wells. She attended East High School and graduated from Connecticut College in 1945. She met John "Jack" Erwin Caulkins of Grosse Pointe Farms and they married Dec. 28, 1946. The couple lived in Grosse Pointe Farms until 1987, when they moved to Arizona. Mrs. Caulkins later moved to Colorado.

Mrs. Caulkins worked as a docent for the Detroit Institute of Arts. "Patsy" loved art, reading and gardens, having volunteered her time to many such causes, including Tau Beta, Garden Club and the Children's Home of Grosse Pointe. She also was a member of the Country Club of Detroit.

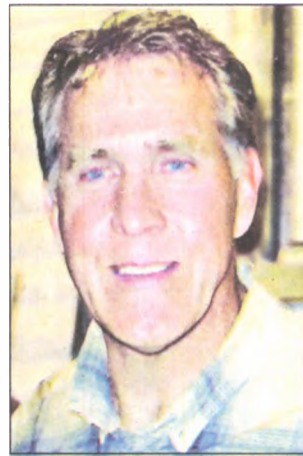
Her family said Mrs. Caulkins' primary passion was people, sharing and receiving love with those she met. She leaves behind hundreds of adoring friends from all over and every walk of life. She greeted everyone with her trademark smile and joy.

Mrs. Caulkins is survived by her sons, John Wells Caulkins (Pam), Peter Polson Caulkins (Cindy Costello), William Wells Caulkins (Winnie), Charles Wells Caulkins (Gail) and Edward Wells Caulkins (Robin); grandsons, Michael, Hank, Jamie, Ben, Jacob and George and granddaughter, Abby.

She was predeceased by her husband, and brothers, Charles and William.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15, at the Vi Residential Community, 2150 Classic Drive, Highlands Ranch.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Campus Crusade for Christ, P.O. Box 628222,



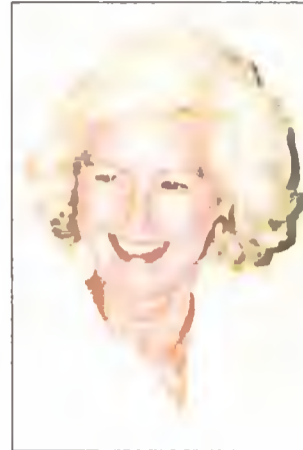
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## Joann Steinberg Chalot

City of Grosse Pointe resident Joann Steinberg Chalot, 86, died Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2015, after a long life filled with love, learning and adventure. Her devoted husband of 65 years, Ned I. Chalot, M.D., cared for her throughout her last days.

She died at home, surrounded by their beautiful collection of antiquarian books, and a large library.

Mrs. Chalot was born in Detroit, attended public schools and graduated magna cum laude from Central High School. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in math and science from the University of Michigan in 1949. While at U-M, she was a Stockwell resident, a campus leader and a member of the U-M women's synchronized swim team.

She became a certified orthoptic technician and worked for Dr. Ralph Pino, helping to test children's eyesight. In 1949, she married Dr. Ned Chalot at Franklin Hills Country Club and, shortly thereafter, moved to New York while her husband trained at the Lampert Institute. The couple moved to California while Dr. Chalot served in the U.S. Air Force as a surgeon for soldiers wounded in Korea. While living in Livermore, Calif., Mrs. Chalot worked as a lifeguard at Parks Air Force base.

After returning to Detroit to raise their family, Mrs. Chalot was an active volunteer for Children's Hospital and several other organizations, including Head Start. She served on the board of the Detroit Public Library, was a past president of the Detroit Book Club and a past president of the Arthur Rackham Society. She and her husband were early members of the Grosse Pointe Jewish Community.

When her children were grown, Mrs. Chalot managed her father's business, White Color Card

Company, a printing business specializing in manufacturing color cards for the automotive and paint industries.

In September 2000, she and her husband were honored as members of the Alexander Ruthven Society for their contributions to U-M, including a rare and extensive collection of books illustrated by Arthur Rackham.

Mrs. Chalot's many dear friends also knew her as an ardent Democrat and champion for civil rights. Fluent in French, she led several French reading clubs at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. She and her husband accumulated a home library with more than 10,000 volumes. She was a voracious reader, adventurous world traveler and a gourmet cook. She never lost her athletic edge; she was an enthusiastic skier, tennis player, bowler and swimmer.

Mrs. Chalot was predeceased by her parents, Mildred and Myron Steinberg and son, Andrew Chalot. She is survived by her husband, Dr. Ned Chalot; daughter, Nan Chalot Noaker (Tom); son, Jim Chalot (Linda); and grandchildren, Alexandra, Rachel, Grace and Harris Chalot and Dylan Noaker.

A memorial service was held Jan. 25 at Kaufman Funeral Home, Southfield.

## Emmylou Conn

Emmylou Conn, 91, died Sunday, Feb. 1, 2015.

She was born July 9, 1923, in Detroit, to Chester and Olive Lamb and was a secretary with Rockwell International of Troy.

Mrs. Conn was involved in genealogy research and was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

She was an active person who walked wherever she needed to go. She loved flowers and traveling and was a science fiction fan with an affinity for Star Trek. She kept up to date with current events and freely expressed her opinions.

Her family said she was flirty, energetic, confident and organized.

Mrs. Conn was predeceased by her beloved husband, Harold Sylvester Conn.

She is survived by her sons, Harold Randall "Randy" Conn and John Kendall Conn (Cheryl) and grandchildren, Rachel Boutin, Emily and Justin.



Robert Steven Redlawski

A funeral service was held Feb. 6 at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 25200 Telegraph Road, Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48033.

Share a memory at [ahpeters.com](http://ahpeters.com).

## Robert Steven Redlawski

Former Grosse Pointe Farms resident Robert Steven Redlawski, "Rob Red," died Saturday, Feb. 7, 2015. He was 25.

The 2007 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School grew up in Grosse Pointe Farms where he played Little League baseball throughout his youth and was fond of his teammates and many friends. He loved baseball, music, fishing and being around friends and family.

His family said Mr. Redlawski was a loving soul whose gift to the world was his quiet and caring love of people. He loved children and loved to make them laugh. He always wanted to work with kids. He had a quick wit and good sense of humor. His relaxed demeanor was one of his greatest qualities.

Mr. Redlawski will be deeply missed and is survived by his parents, Cynthia and Steven; sisters, Caroline, Annie and Abby and many cousins, aunts, uncles and good friends.

Visitation will be held 2 to 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, at Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home, 16300 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 14 at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park. Visitation begins at 10 a.m. at the church.

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**PASTOR'S CORNER**  
By Rev. Ben Van Arragon

# Get talking

**T**wo weeks ago the Detroit Free Press broke the story of James Robertson, who until recently, spent more than eight hours a day walking to and from his manufacturing job. The story brought a nationwide outpouring — first of shock at the state of public transit in Detroit; then of moral and financial support for Robertson. Someone started a crowdfunding campaign to provide Robertson a vehicle. The campaign raised more than \$300,000 and a local dealership donated a new car to the cause.

Reflecting on the surprising change in his circumstances, Robertson said, "The best part of this story is that it got people talking about the bus system." It got people talking.

Our communities and cities are full of problems that need to be addressed. Because these problems have become points of disagreement and political debate, we find it safer not to talk about them. We prefer to hide our problems from ourselves and the world outside. Until, of course, the problems become too monstrous to ignore.

As painful and scary as it can be, there is wisdom in facing our problems honestly and openly. In one of his letters, the Apostle Paul writes: Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. 2 Corinthians 4:1-2

Like our friends in Alcoholics Anonymous say, "The first step is admitting the problem."

We can't get right — as individuals, or as communities — until we are willing to be honest about what is not right. Whether it is a habit that is destroying our health or our family, a chronic injury needing a surgeon's intervention, or an unexplored pattern of prejudice that divides one neighborhood from the next, every one of our life-stealing problems can only get better when we stop hiding. Start talking.

But wait.

What ministry is Paul talking about in that verse about "renouncing secret and shameful ways?"

He goes on to identify it: All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. 2 Corinthians 5:18

The ministry of reconciliation. A ministry of addressing areas of brokenness, conflict and inequality not just to make the world safer and fairer for everyone, but to create level ground on which we can enter into real relationship.

Relationship based on our shared humanity; our equal value and footing before God. The hurts and needs and joys that we hold in common reconciliation starts when we renounce secrecy and come clean about what just isn't right. Things get better when we get talking.

Van Arragon is minister at First Christian Reformed Church of Detroit. Find more of his writing at [benvanarragon.blogspot.com](http://benvanarragon.blogspot.com).

## CHURCH EVENTS

### Men's Ecumenical breakfast

Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical breakfast begins with coffee at 7 a.m. Friday, Feb. 13, at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. A buffet breakfast is served prior to the 7:45 a.m. speaker, who is Donna Brandt of Oakwood Commons. She discusses senior living.

For more information, call Eric Lindquist at (313) 53-8656, or e-mail him at [grossepointeinterests@comcast.net](mailto:grossepointeinterests@comcast.net).

### Memorial church

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church continues its 2014-2015 Music at Memorial

concert season with "Tasty Treats" at 3 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 15. The catered afternoon tea and concert are in the Barbour Chapel.

Sopranos Carol Ambrogio Wood, Sheena Law, mezzo-soprano Diane Schoff, tenor Michael Fowler and baritone Kenneth Shepherd are the featured singers whose program ranges from opera arias, art songs and musical theater.

Wood, Law, Schoff, Fowler, and Shepherd are all staff singers at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

Admission is \$10. People under the age of 25, with valid student ID, are admitted free of charge. For reservations, visit [musicatmemorial@gmail.com](mailto:musicatmemorial@gmail.com) or call (313) 882-5330.

Parking is available behind the church.

The next Music at Memorial presentation is a concert by cellist Mario DiFiore and pianist James Biery featuring the Brahms Cello Sonata in E minor at 3

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## OBITUARY: *Continued from page 4B*

### Eleanor L. Vogel

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Eleanor L. Vogel, nee Pitchwak, 96, passed away Sunday, Feb. 8, 2015.

She was born Feb. 17, 1918, in Detroit, and was the beloved wife of Earl S. Vogel, who predeceased her.

Mrs. Vogel was the loving and devoted mother of, and is survived by her children, Earl J. (Denise), Sharon Duignan (the late Earl) and Patricia Davis (Kenneth). She also is survived by her grandchildren, Michelle, Beth, Nicole, Kelly, Brian, Laura, Julie and Shelly; great-grandchildren, Talia, Gabe, Alex, Meghan, Delos, Anna, Jonathan and Isabella; sister, Marian O'Chocke and brother, Robert Pitchwak.

In addition to her husband and son-in-law, she



Eleanor L. Vogel

was predeceased by her sister, Rita Bernard.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, at Kaul Funeral Home, 35201 Garfield, Clinton Township.

Donations may be made to Great Lakes Hospice Foundation at [greatlakeshospicefoundation.org](http://greatlakeshospicefoundation.org) or the Capuchins, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

Share a memory at [kaulfuneralhome.com](http://kaulfuneralhome.com).

## LUNCHES: *Continued from page 1B*

1,000," she said.

And Soulliere has been going ever since — filling brown paper bags with pb&j sandwiches, a bottle of water or juice box, a napkin and a piece of fruit or snack. When available, an inspirational message is also included.

SignUpGenius website solicits donations of the brown bags, sandwich ingredients, beverages, napkins and fruit.

When it's time to make more brown bag lunches, she puts the call out on Grosse Pointe Mom's Swap and Chat, a by-invitation-only Facebook page. Mothers, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, students and volunteers show up at schools, churches or restaurants, wherever space is donated for a few hours.

Most recently, the seventh and eighth grade students at Our Lady Star of the Sea School spent a morning spreading peanut butter and jelly on

slices of bread.

According to Deacon Bill Jamieson students have designated Special Persons Day during the annual Catholic Schools Week making sandwiches for the homeless.

"As Catholics, we are called to service others," said Star of the Sea teacher Roberta Henrichs, of why the seventh and eighth graders are involved for the second time.

It becomes a family project because the supplies, peanut butter, jam, juice boxes and paper projects are donated by them.

A local fruit market donated more than 1,000 apples and the school's National Honor Society provided funds for the other supplies.

"The students invited a guest to be with them for a half day at school. Students and guests make the sandwiches and assembled them into



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From left, Mia Eugenio, Madalyn Durkee, Ava Cipriano and Kameron Harris helped make 1,091 brown bag lunches to be distributed to Detroit's homeless.

brown bag lunches," Henrichs said.

One year, members of the U.S. Coast Guard preparing to take the lieutenants test needed community service hours.

"I had them five Fridays in a row," Soulliere said.

Once the bags are packed, Soulliere delivers them to any number of nonprofits. She has given

the brown bag lunches to the Detroit's homeless veterans, Feeding the Need, Matrix Human Services, Salvation Army and The Eimers Foundation.

"I would like to do more," she said. "My mom said I always said I would be a missionary. That set the path for me."

—By Ann L. Fouty

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## ASK THE EXPERTS

By John Walko and Catherine Zatkoff

# Consequences — legal and beyond



**Q.** A group of parents in our book club recently shared their concerns about how substance use affects the lives of students and young adults, how can we learn more?

**A.** The days of drug and alcohol misdemeanors not impacting someone's future are long gone. Later this month, Grosse Pointe Farms Detective John Walko and Catherine Zatkoff discuss the long-term ramifications of these types of convictions, and how substance use affects home, college and careers. Some common questions we typically hear are:

How does the law work in regard to minor in possession's and marijuana arrests?

Is it that big of a deal to have a misdemeanor on my record?

Does my child have to admit to this conviction on a college application?

How does this impact college admission and grad school in the future?

My college student got a MIP over the weekend. Could he get expelled for this?

Will it ever get taken off my record?

What do I do next if my child gets an MIP?

I think my child may be using drugs. Where do I go for help?

To learn more from Walko and Zatkoff and other professionals who deal with drug awareness topics, attend an evening of informative substance awareness talks Thursday, Feb. 26, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

At this special presentation, Walko and Zatkoff will address these types of questions in detail. Their goal is to provide good information and resources to turn to if you find your son/daughter in this situation.

There are positive things in place by the

courts to help first time MIP offenders and will be explained and questions answered at the evening event.

*Walko is the detective in charge of the juvenile division with the Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department. He can be reached at (313) 885-2100.*

*Zatkoff is a Grosse Pointe South High School counselor. She is a counselor with a private practice in St. Clair Shores and specializes in working with adolescents. She will be facilitating a teen substance abuse group this year. She can be reached at (586) 382-7306 or via e-mail at catherine.zatkoff@gmail.com.*

*The Family Center serves as the community's hub for information, resources and referral for both families, individuals and professionals. Its mission is to serve the community through programs and resources vital to today's families.*

*The Family Center is a non-profit organization. All gifts are tax-deductible.*

*To volunteer, contribute, or send an e-mail, visit familycenterweb.org, call (313) 432-3832.*

*E-mail: info@familycenterweb.org or write to: The Family Center, 20090 Morningside Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.*

## Heart attack symptoms demand quick treatment

### Beaumont HEALTHY POINTE

**E**very minute a person in the United States dies from cardiovascular disease, the nation's leading cause of death.

Heart attacks occur when the blood flow to part of the heart muscle stops due to narrowing in a coronary artery. Risk factors include high blood pressure, diabetes, high cholesterol, smoking, increasing age, obesity and a family history of cardiovascular disease.

Symptoms of a heart attack occur abruptly, or more gradually and typically include chest pain with shortness of breath.

However, some people may experience other uncommon symptoms such as pain in the upper, central region of the abdomen, pain between the shoulder blades, nausea and fatigue. These symptoms are more common in women than men.

Women may have a higher risk of dying from a heart attack because they often wait too long before going to the hospital.

If people think they, or someone they know, is having a heart attack, it's imperative to call 9-1-1. Driving yourself to the

nearest emergency center, or having someone drive you, could delay lifesaving treatment.

Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe is approved by the state of Michigan to perform life-saving, emergency percutaneous coronary intervention (angioplasty) for heart attack patients coming to the hospital's Emergency Center. Local EMS staff send a chest pain patient's EKG to Grosse Pointe's emergency center physicians allowing treatment to begin immediately when the patient arrives.

Beaumont's PCI team consists of experienced interventional cardiologists, registered nurses and technicians specifically trained for emer-

gency interventions. A state-of-the-art interventional laboratory for heart and vascular diagnostic and interventional procedures opened at Beaumont, Grosse Pointe in 2010.

Beaumont Community Health Coalition's mission is to enable the entire community to reach its potential by preventing disease and promoting wellness through prevention education and developing solutions for positive health based on the Beaumont Community Needs Assessment (suicide prevention, asthma, diabetes, drug-related admissions and obesity). For more information contact [anne.nearhood@beaumont.edu](mailto:anne.nearhood@beaumont.edu) or (586) 498-4855.

## Support coordinator hired

Paige Domzalski is the new Family Center's communications and program support coordinator.

She has a background in the nonprofit business, most recently with the Michigan Women's Foundation as a development associate.

Domzalski has been a resident of Grosse Pointe Park for nine years.

The Family Center serves as the community's hub for information,

resources and referral for families, individuals and professionals.

Its mission is to serve the community through programs and resources vital to today's families.



PHOTO BY DONALD SCHULTE  
**Paige Domzalski**

## EVENT: Continued from page 5B

p.m. Sunday, March 8.

### St. Michael's

St. Michael's Episcopal Church holds a pancake supper from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17, at the church. The evening includes face painting, and a fortune teller.

Adult tickets, available at the door, cost \$6 and children, 11 years and under, cost \$4. A family ticket costs \$20.

### First English

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church and Christ the King Lutheran Church of Grosse Pointe Woods

sponsor the Second Annual Chili Cook-Off at 6 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 28, at First English.

The event is hosted by the First English Board of Church Property and the public can attend to sample a variety of chilies. Beer and wine will be available for purchase.

Prizes will be awarded. A free will offering will be shared by the churches.

Chili cook-off registration deadline is 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27. Cooking set-up begins at 3:30 p.m. Feb. 28. Chili must be ready for judging at 6 p.m.

Call Jeff Gates at (586) 771.8482 or e-mail gator613@hotmail.com for a registration form, general rules and information.

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### City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council will be considering the following proposed ordinance for adoption at its meeting scheduled for Monday, February 23, 2015, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The proposed ordinance is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The above Council meeting is open to the public. All interested persons are invited to attend.

**An Ordinance Amending Chapter 8 Building and Building Regulations by Adding New Article XVI Emergency Generators Providing for Permitting and Regulation of Permanent Emergency Electrical Generators in Residential Districts.**

Lisa K. Hathaway, CMMC/MMC  
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 2/12/2015

### CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 5, 2015

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 P.M.

**ROLL CALL:** All Councilpersons were present except Councilperson Hugh R. Marshall.

#### MOTIONS PASSED

- To excuse Councilman Marshall from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.
- To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held December 15, 2014 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Board of Trustees Employees Retirement System Special meeting held December 15, 2014.
- To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a Collective Bargaining matter.
- That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

#### RESOLUTION PASSED

- To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 104701 through 104808 in the amount of \$494,316.06 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Statewide Security Transport in the amount of \$10,775.00 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of November 2014. (3) Approve payment in the amount of \$8,000.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance on several main break repairs and for five stop box replacements.
- To draft a response to the legal counsel of the City of Harper Woods Employees Retirement Board System indicating the City's intention to honor their obligation to make payments to the Retirement System within the financial limitations that currently exist.
- To approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Harper Woods and the Technical, Professional, Office Workers Association of Michigan (TPOAM) - Clerical Bargaining Unit covering the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016.
- To approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Harper Woods and the Technical, Professional, Office Workers Association of Michigan (TPOAM) Public Works bargaining unit covering the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016.
- To approve a \$21.30 quarterly Meter Charge per Equivalent Meter (EM) for water and a \$37.56 quarterly Meter Charge for EM for sewer totaling \$58.86 per EM ratio established by the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) for all water/sewer billed after January 1, 2015 and further to approve the Commodity Charge of \$17.30 per thousand cubic feet (MCF) for water and \$20.50 per MCF for sewer totaling \$37.80 per MCF for all water/sewer billed after January 1, 2015, and further to approve a new quarterly Refuse User fee of \$5.00 per Meter for all water/sewer billed after January 1, 2015.
- To accept the extension agreement from the Michigan Municipal League Liability and Property Pool for sewer and drain coverage in the annual amount of \$15,482.00 and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the necessary documents.
- To appoint Councilmember Kindle as the City Council representative to the Board of Trustees Employees Retirement System.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

Leslie M. Frank, City Clerk

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### City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

#### SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES FEBRUARY 9, 2015

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Farquhar; Councilmembers; Wood, West, Joseph, Ricci and Waldmeir.

Absent Were: Councilmembers Theros.

Also Present: Messrs. William Burgess, City Attorney; Shane Reeside, City Manager; Derrick Kozicki, City Clerk; John Lamerato, City Controller/Treasurer; Dan Jensen, Director of Public Safety; John Hutchins, Deputy Director Public Safety.

Mayor Farquhar Presided at the Meeting.

Councilmember Theros was excused from attending the Meeting.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 12, 2015, were approved as submitted.

The Council approved the PY 2015 Community Development Block Grant Application, as presented.

The Council approved the following on the Consent Agenda:

- Reappointment of Mary Wells and Marilyn Stanitzke and the appointment of Andrew Llewellyn to the City's Election Commission, each to serve a 2-year term.
- Board of Review Members Reappointments.
- Statement of Attorney's Fees from the law firm of Dickinson, Wright.
- Water Turn-off fees, as submitted.
- Recommended Dog Park Policy for reporting "vicious" dogs at the Kerby Dog Park, as submitted.
- Request from Grosse Pointe Rotary Club to close Lake Shore Road on September 19, 2015 for the Grosse Pointe Run event.
- Request from Parks Director to close Kercheval Avenue on February 6, 2016 for the Grosse Pointe Farms Winterfest event.
- Invoices, as submitted.

The following reports were received by the Council and ordered placed on file.

- Quarterly Financial Report - Six Months Ended December 31, 2014.
- Public Safety Report for January 2015.

The Council approved the request from DPW for a Rubbish Packer Replacement.

The Council approved the change of the Board of Review hearing date from March 24th to March 23, 2015.

Upon proper motion made, and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC, INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. YOU MAY ALSO VIEW THE AGENDA AND MINUTES ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE: [www.grossepointefarms.org](http://www.grossepointefarms.org)

James C. Farquhar, Mayor

Derrick Kozicki, City Clerk

GPN: 2/12/2015



**A LA ANNIE** By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

# Two reasons for making cupcakes



**S**aturday is Valentine's Day. Next Tuesday is Fat Tuesday. Two great reasons to try your hand at red velvet cupcakes. The story of red velvet dates back to 1920 and the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City. However, this not-too-sweet cake batter was mostly popular in the south until recent years.

## Red Velvet Cupcakes

(The Dollop Book of Frosting)

- 1/4 cup butter, room temperature
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 1/2 cup buttermilk
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 teaspoons red food coloring
- 1/2 cup applesauce
- 3/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 1/2 teaspoons distilled white vinegar
- 1 cup flour
- 2 tablespoons plus 2 teaspoons unsweetened cocoa
- 1/2 teaspoon salt



PHOTO BY ANNIE ROULEAU-SCHERIFF

**A treat for your Valentine — red velvet cupcakes.**

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Cream butter with sugar and mix well. Mix in egg, buttermilk, vanilla and food coloring. Add applesauce and mix for just a minute.

In a small cup combine baking soda with vinegar (it will fizz) then add to batter.

In a small bowl combine flour with cocoa and salt.

Slowly add flour mixture to batter, mixing until well combined.

Turn batter into 12 cupcake wrappers in a cupcake tin. Bake at 350 for 20 minutes or longer, un-

til cooked throughout. Transfer to a cooling rack.

Meanwhile prepare cream cheese frosting by beating together 2 tablespoons of softened butter with 4 oz. softened cream cheese, 3/4 teaspoon vanilla and 1 cup powdered sugar.

Beat until smooth.

Frost the cupcakes with a mound of cream cheese frosting and a sprinkle of red sugar for effect.

These yummy cupcakes from scratch scream I Love You! Move over Mr. Paczki... a southern bell has arrived.

# Boat show is a step to spring

As Michigan's economy rebounds, so has the marine industry in this Great Lakes state.

New boat, motor, trailer and accessories sales in Michigan have increased over the past four years. Along with this increase comes an increase in the size of Detroit Boat Show.

Boat shows remain the single most important selling tool for dealers," said show manager Nicki Polan. "Fifty-seven percent of those who buy a boat attend a boat show for a number of obvious reasons."

The show how will bring hundreds of boats and 150 Michigan marine businesses.

At 350,000 square feet, the boat show cruises into Cobo Center Feb. 14 through 22. It is 50,000 square feet larger than in 2014 and 150,000 square feet larger than 2012.

It features hundreds of boats for fishing, skiing, wakeboarding and cruising, as well as paddle boats, kayaks, paddleboards and inflatables.

New product launches from engine and boat manufacturers, will be featured as well as marinas, canvas shops, aftermarket accessories, ski and wakeboarding equipment, tow toys, electronics and docks, lifts and hoists.

More than 68,000 consumers are expected to attend to see and buy hundreds of new 2015, 2014 and 2013 model boats of all types and sizes.

Unlike auto shows, people can buy boats at

here." Many dealers say they can attribute up to 50 percent of their annual sales to sales and leads generated at this show. More than 1,500 boats, worth an estimated \$50 million, traditionally sell during the boat show's nine-day run, and shortly thereafter.

The boat show also offers exhibits selling boating accessories and services including at motors, dockage, water toys, skiing and wakeboarding gear, boating and fishing accessories, electronics, boat gear, nautical gifts, artwork and much more.

Special features include: Rail Jam – a live wakeboarding show, the Water-rollerz, the Bat boat, kid's boat building center, meet a mermaid, learn to sail simulator and exhibit, win a stand-up paddle board, promotions, giveaways and a free boater safety course. Admission is \$12 for adults and children 12 and under get in free with an adult. Save \$2 per ticket at DetroitBoatShow.net. Hours are 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sundays and Mondays and 3 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays through Friday.



## On stage

Grosse Pointe Theatre's Purdon Studio actors perform in "God of Carnage." Show times are 8 p.m. Feb. 19 through 21, 26 through 28, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22, and Sunday, March 1, at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores. Tickets can be purchased at [gpt.org](http://gpt.org) or by calling (313) 881-4004 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

## LEGO® Artists Challenge 2015

**New!! Challenge is open for PreK - 8th Graders this year.**

**Enter your LEGO® creation for judging and great prizes!**

**March 14, Noon-3:00pm**  
@ Barnes School, 20090 Morningside Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods

Space will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis for the 5th annual LEGO® Artists Challenge. All entries must be pre-registered.

Here's all you need to do to enter:

- 1: Fill in the entry form and return it with your \$10 entry fee by March 6.
- 2: Bring your completed entry to Barnes School Gym, 20090 Morningside Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods on Friday, March 13 from 5:00-7:00pm.
- 3: Come to the LEGO® Artists Challenge Award Ceremony at Barnes School on Saturday, March 14 from 2:30-3:00pm. Doors open at noon so entrants, their families and the public can see all the LEGO® Artists creations.

**All are welcome to see the LEGO® Artists Challenge entries & awards presentation. LEGO® Artists Challenge Display open Saturday, March 14 from Noon-3:00pm.**

**Registration Form**

Entrant Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Grade:  PreK  K-2  3-5  6-8 School \_\_\_\_\_

\$10 Entry Fee. Check enclosed, payable to The Family Center. Must be postmarked by March 6, 2015

Mail entry form by March 6 to: The Family Center - LEGO Artists Challenge, 20090 Morningside Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236

Registration forms may also be downloaded from [www.familycenterweb.org](http://www.familycenterweb.org)

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CITY OF HARPER WOODS  
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 21, 2015

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 P.M.

**ROLL CALL:** All Councilpersons were present except Councilperson Cheryl A. Costantino.

**MOTIONS PASSED**

- 1) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held January 5, 2015 and the Special City Council meeting held January 12, 2015.
- 2) To hold two Public Hearings, one on February 2, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. and the second on February 18, 2015 for the purpose of receiving public input and comment on the 2015 Community Development Block Grant funds.
- 3) To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a Collective Bargaining matter.
- 4) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

**RESOLUTION PASSED**

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 104809 through 104898 in the amount of \$233,184.01 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Litho Printing Service, Inc. in the amount of \$6,250.00 for the printing of the 2015 City calendar. (3) Approve the request from the Shamrock Cab Company for taxicab licenses covering the cabs listed on the application for 2015. (4) Approve the reappointments of those board and commission members as listed on the memorandum from the City Clerk.
- 2) To authorize those Councilmembers interested to attend the Michigan Municipal League's Annual Legislative Conference on March 24-25, 2015 with the City paying all necessary and related expenses.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

Leslie M. Frank, City Clerk

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# Pointes in history

Feb. 17, 1972

- ◆ There's going to be a new restaurant on Mack, namely a Burger Chef located between Kerby and Moross roads, directly behind Kerby Field.
- ◆ North High School swimming team captured the Bi-County League title last week at Lakeview High School.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods has five B&Es in four days. Two are reported within an hour on Feb. 10 and Feb. 13; all are residences.
- ◆ The Pointes' are being searched for a young woman to represent The Pointe in the Miss Michigan and, hopefully, Miss America Pageants. The search is being organized by the Grosse Pointe Jaycees.
- ◆ Fire Chief Henry DeClerck retires Tuesday, Feb. 29, after 43 years and nine months service to the Park Fire Department, with the exception of 30 months in the U.S. Navy during World War II.
- ◆ Four Pointers captured awards for outstanding volunteer service at Detroit's recent fifth annual community-wide recognition luncheon, Heart of the Gold Award Council.
- ◆ Obituaries that week were: William Bromme, 65; Thomas Campau Gillis, 53; Verna L. Lichtwardt, 73; George J. Mahoney, 54; Joseph J. Mink, 60; Anne Evans O'Dowd, 76; and Blanche Tower, 90.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Newcomers members

are in rehearsal for their annual variety show slated for Saturday, Feb. 26, at 8 o'clock in the Fries Auditorium. This year's production promises lots of local color. It's called "A Typical Day in Grosse Pointe" and features sketches on: the doctor with Dr. Joseph Beals, the president of the Newcomers this year, the hairdresser, the columnist, the socialite, the executive wife and ... well let the others be a surprise.

- ◆ Judith Elaine Parker, Mary Gertrude Steffes and Barbara Larissa Eagan all announced their engagements with plans to marry in the summer.
- ◆ Stanley Kubrick's "A Clockwork Orange" opened at the Woods II Theater Wednesday, Feb. 9, and has generated a generous amount of word of mouth in the process. Some residents, including members of the Grosse Pointe Motion Picture and Television Council, have found the X-rated film, to say the least, upsetting.
- ◆ Fresh red radishes in cello package sold for 10 cents.
- ◆ The Good Taste column with Favorite Recipes of People in the Know was Gazpacho contributed by Mrs. Herbert G. Sparrow III for the Symphony Juniors cookbook, "No Second Fiddle."
- ◆ The Park's elm tree spray program is "signed, sealed" and will soon be "delivered."

At a regular meeting Monday, February 14, the

council unanimously approved the use of city forces for the program, and also awarded the bid for methoxychlor to Michlin Chemical Corporation of Detroit.

- ◆ John Turos, the father of the 14-year-old Harper Woods youth who drowned outside The Farms Pier harbor last week, appeared before the Farms Council on Monday night, Feb. 14, to question the supervision of the Farms Pier area and to plead for increased water safety precautions.
- ◆ Around 90-100 Grosse Pointe North High School students will mark an important day Thursday, February 24. That's when the students, thanks to Woods City Administrator Chester E. Petersen, will receive "personalized" service when they register to vote.
- ◆ Woods Municipal Judge Don Goodrow heard 19 cases in court Friday, Jan. 28. Thirty warrants were signed for failure to answer summons and three cases were dismissed.
- ◆ Richard Boy Scout Troop 74 will be doing its part to help improve the environment by accepting tied newspaper bundles and stapled magazines this Saturday, Feb. 19, in the school parking lot.
- ◆ The Grosse Pointe Public School System is seeking to intervene in the Detroit school desegregation case and has been granted a hearing before U.S. Judge Stephen J. Roth, at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 22.



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Cottage Hospital in 1957.

## From a cottage to a multi-service hospital

### Cottage Hospital grew from a need to help the east side population

Henry Ford Medical Center-Cottage has been serving the Grosse Pointe and eastside community since 1919, first as a full-service hospital, and more recently as an outpatient ambulatory medical center. Cottage is part of Henry Ford Health System, celebrating its 100-year anniversary this year.

Cottage got its name because the building was truly a cottage dwelling in the early 1900s, before Grosse Pointe's respected matrons purchased the property on Oak Street, now Muir Road, and renovated it into a hospital.

The Baroness Maud Ledyard Von Kettler, Mrs. Horace E. Dodge and Mrs. Benjamin S. Warren spearheaded the venture.

The hospital was established in response to the 1918 influenza epidemic that saw 600 cases reported and seven deaths in Grosse Pointe Township. Von

Kettler had been a nurse's aid during the epidemic.

When the doors opened March 13, 1919, Cottage featured five adult beds, five children's beds and three bassinets. By August of that year, the hospital was filled to capacity and the cottage next door was purchased. An operating room and maternity room were built to adjoin the two hospitals. Nine years later, Cottage increased its capacity to 58 beds and 13 bassinets. In a twist of irony, an all-female board of trustees directed Cottage for its first 43 years before men were invited to join.

During its 50th year, 1969, Cottage undertook a \$2 million expansion adding two floors, an intensive care and physical therapy department, new facilities for operating and emergency rooms, an enlarged radiology department, laboratory and store room. Expansions also included additional beds (153 total licensed beds), a roof garden for patients and visitors, atrium and chapel, further cementing Cottage's footprint for quality medical services close to home for Grosse Pointe

and eastside residents at the corner of Kercheval and Muir roads.

In 1986, Cottage Hospital became the east-side partner of Henry Ford Health System.

As medicine and technology continued to evolve, Cottage added an ambulatory surgery center and cancer services in 2000.

In 2008, to meet the growing need of an aging population and increased demand for outpatient services, Cottage was converted into a multi-specialty medical center offering a wide range of primary and specialty services. Anchored by the surgery center, cancer services, rehabilitation and emergency department, the newly named Henry Ford Medical Center-Cottage added specialty services like sports medicine, center for women's health, a pain center, cardiology, otolaryngology and speech pathology, according to Henry Ford-Cottage archives.

Three years later, Cottage announced plans to develop senior housing on two floors in partnership with American House Senior Living Communities.



Henry Ford Cottage Hospital today, on the corner of Kercheval and Muir roads in Grosse Pointe Farms.

### I remember when . . .

The winter memory I remember the most is ice skating with my dad around the Farms Pier boat dock across to Crescent Yacht Club. The years were in the mid-1950s to the mid 1960s.

My dad was a professional hockey player so, of course, he was always way ahead of me with his hockey skates on. We would skate close to the open water toward the

middle of the lake. It seems as though the winters were much colder back then with so much frozen ice.

The skating times were so special to me as it was my private time with my dad.

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Bon Secours Hospital where he had stitches across the open forehead cut. I don't think my mom ever forgave me!

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## SWIMMING

# South wins Wayne County title

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

After a rocky start to the season, the Grosse Pointe South boys' swimming and diving team is hitting on all cylinders.

Head coach Eric Gunderson and his Blue Devils put their game in overdrive last weekend, winning the Wayne County Championship meet with 380 points.

Second place went to Northville with 361.5 points, followed by Plymouth with 269 and Livonia Stevenson with 251.

University Liggett took 15th and Grosse Pointe North was 16th with 37 and 31 points, respectively.

The host Blue Devils started the meet by winning the 200-yard medley relay as Ethan Briggs, Jacob Montague, Devlin Francis and Robby Koueiter posted a time of 1:39.84.

Montague went on to break a school, pool and county record in the 200-yard individual medley and 100-yard breaststroke, turning in times of 1:53.06 and 57.50, respectively. Both times are All-American consideration.

Other standouts for the home team included Francis, who won the

100-yard butterfly with a state-qualifying time of 54.68, and the 200-yard freestyle relay team of Devlin Francis, Cam Francis, Montague and Koueiter set a new county record with a time of 1:29.34.

Also in the diving competition, Erik Romer was second with 469.95 points, and in the 100-butterfly, Koueiter was fourth and Briggs seventh with times of 56.14 and 57.37.

In the 100-yard backstroke, Briggs was fourth with a time of 57.89, while Connor Mallegg and Cam Francis placed sixth and seventh with times of 57.94 and 58.29, respectively.

Cam Sanders was fourth in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:04.12 and Matthew Koueiter was sixth at 1:05.46.

Standouts for Liggett were Alexis Wenger, who was third in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:03.01; Steven Lesha, who was 14th in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 52.39; and Nick Rivera, who was 46th in the 50-yard freestyle.

For the Norsemen, William McNelis was third and Duncan MacAskill fourth in diving with 443.95 and 395.10 points to give



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

South's Jacob Montague was in a zone during the Wayne County Championship meet, setting a couple of records.

them their 31 team points.

The Blue Devils are also in position to win another Macomb Area Conference Red Division dual meet title after beating Romeo 142-43, Chippewa Valley 117-69 and Macomb Dakota 108-77.

In addition, the Blue Devils defeated U-D Jesuit 110-75, improving to 4-5 overall and sitting 3-0 in the MAC Red.

Against Romeo, the Blue Devils won all 12 events.

The guys winning

events were Montague, Robby Koueiter, Devlin Francis, Cam Francis, Mallegg, Briggs, Romer, Sanders, Matthew Koueiter, Clark Frick and Thomas Jogan.

South won 11 of the 12 events against Chippewa Valley, thanks to the efforts of Briggs, Robby Koueiter, Devlin Francis, Montague, Sanders, Romer, Cam Francis, Matthew Koueiter, Nick Vallan and Frick.

In the third Red Division meet against Dakota, the Blue Devils once again got off to a

fast start by winning the 200-yard medley relay with Cam Francis, Montague, Devlin Francis and Briggs posting a time of 1:44.63.

They also took second in the event to earn 12 points to the Cougars' two.

Briggs cruised to a win in the 200-yard individual medley, posting a time of 2:11.40, and the Blue Devils took second, third and fourth in the 50-yard freestyle with Patrick Waterston, Devlin Francis and Vallan posting times of 23.24, 23.50 and 24.49, respectively.

Romer led the way in diving, winning with 244.05 points. Grady Eger and Tommy Sine took third and fourth with 173.17 and 157.87 points.

In the 100-yard butterfly, it was Cam Francis and Devlin Francis in a dogfight to the finish with Cam winning with a time of 56.03 and Devlin taking second at 56.09.

Montague won the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 48.84, and Briggs took top honors in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 5:02.93.

The Blue Devils put more distance between themselves and the Cougars after winning the 200-yard freestyle relay as Montague,

Devlin Francis, Waterston and Cam Francis had a time of 1:31.69.

Mallegg won the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 59.70, while Montague won the 100-yard breaststroke and Matthew Koueiter was second with times of 1:01.13 and 1:06.72.

South's most recent victory came over U-D Jesuit as Briggs, Montague, Robby Koueiter and Mallegg won the 200-yard medley relay with a time of 1:41.92.

Cam Francis won the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:52.87, and Montague took first in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 21.86.

Romer was first in diving with 299.90 points, and Cam Francis won the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 5:10.80.

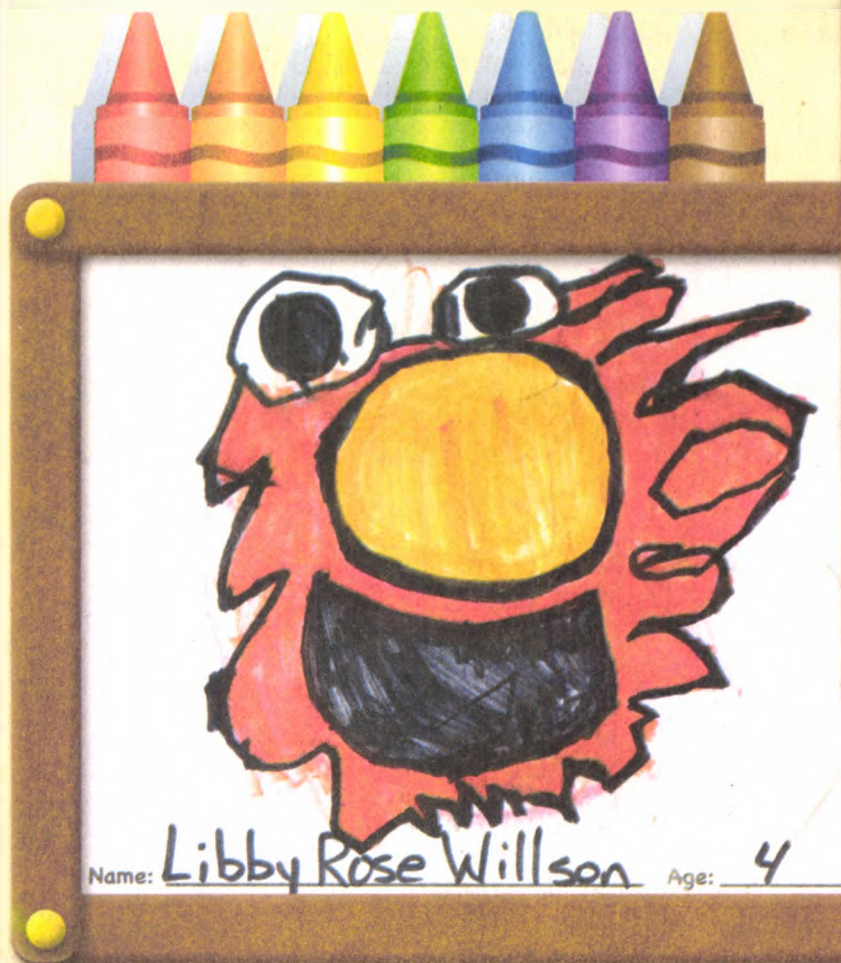
Briggs and Montague won the 100-yard backstroke and 100-yard breaststroke, respectively, posting times of 57.28 and 59.57.

Devlin Francis, Waterston, Frick and Cam Francis won the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:35.24, and in the final event, the 400-yard freestyle relay, Cam Francis, Devlin Francis, Briggs and Montague won with a time of 3:28.02.

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## North, South earn honors

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South took 11th with 71 points and Grosse Pointe North 12th with 70 points in last weekend's Macomb Area Conference Blue-Gold-Silver Division Tournament at Warren Fitzgerald.

Fraser, the Blue Division regular season champ, won the title with 205.5 points. It won the title by 60 points over runner-up Sterling Heights Stevenson.

"We had an amazing day," South co-head coach Tony Cimmarrusti said. "While they were unable to replicate last year's conference and divisional titles, they did achieve many of their team and individual goals, and are looking forward to the individual district and regional competitions in the coming weeks."

For the Blue Devils, Earl Allard pinned Clawson's Katelyn Pizzo for third place at 112 pounds, and Tyler Thompson edged Warren Mott's Mike Perkins for third place at 119 pounds.

Other standouts for the

### Wrestling



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

North's Mike Bowden gets Fraser's Marcus Keys in position to pin him during the Norsemen's match against the Ramblers.

Blue Devils were Jon Gough, Joe Kurta and Matt Ground, who all wrestled for fifth place.

They each finished the tournament with three or four wins against only one or two defeats.

Gough pinned one of the tournament's top grapplers with only one second left in the first period to highlight his afternoon, and Kurta won a match in overtime. Ground was 3-2 on the afternoon.

Thompson had a remarkable turnaround in his semifinal match.

A year ago, he lost a 17-2 technical fall, but this time around was winning until the final 30

seconds when he lost by a point.

The Grosse Pointe South wrestling team finished the MAC conference season on a high note, in the annual blue/gold/silver individual championship meet. The Blue Devils bettered their regular-season third place finish, with a runner-up finish to Fitzgerald in the Silver Division at this annual 20 team meet.

For the Norsemen, Mike Bowden was a gold medalist, pinning St. Clair's Trevor Pickett in the 160-pound division.

He was the tournament's most valuable player, pinning each of his three opponents.

"Mike was awesome and really wrestled well," North head coach Eric Julien said. "We had a nice effort and had some nice results from our kids."

Other medalists were Kushtrim Berisha, who took fourth at 140 pounds after dropping a match to Center Line's Tyler Lindeman, and Ardie Milwrick, who was also fourth at 152 pounds after losing to Warren Cousino's Josh Monroe.

Next for the Norsemen and Blue Devils is a Class A individual district tournament Saturday, Feb. 14, at Anchor Bay.

The top four in each weight class advance to the regional tournament Saturday, Feb. 21, at Oxford.

### Girls hockey

#### GROSSE POINTE NORTH

## Key win

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North girls' hockey team destroyed perennial state power Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood 6-1 last week, stretching its winning streak to seven.

Meanwhile, it was the Cranes' first division loss since early December.

"We are starting to hit on all cylinders," head coach Joe Lucchese said. "The girls did a fantastic job at both ends of the ice. The defense was very solid and the offense put a lot of goals on the board against a very good Cranbrook team."

"This is a nice win for us and a huge confidence builder as we move toward the state playoffs."

It was 1-0 in the first period when senior Karina Lucchese scored, assisted by junior Elizabeth Gallagher.

The host Norsemen broke the game open with a three-goal second



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

North senior Cinnamin Aslanian played a stellar defense during the Norsemen's lopsided win over Cranbrook-Kingswood.

period.

The Cranes actually tied it with a power-play goal at the 10:09 mark of the second stanza, but the Norsemen answered with their own power-play goal as senior Devyn LaValley tallied with junior Lindsay Gallagher and freshman Lindsey Ramsdell netting assists.

Lindsay Gallagher's nifty stick-handling proved beneficial when she scored a goal at the 4:24 mark as Lucchese drew an assist. It was quickly a 3-1 game and it was 4-1 when LaValley scored at the 1:52 mark.

The Norsemen had all the momentum and they continued to dominate in the third period as both Gallagher girls scored a goal to put the finishing touches on the solid victory.

Junior Amber Gieseck was sound in net, thanks to the suffocating defense led by seniors Nicole Haggerty and Cinnamin Aslanian, as well as Lucchese.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 9-5-0-1 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League and 10-6-0-1 overall.

#### LIGGETT

## Francis, Portillo lift Knights past CK

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

University Liggett girls' hockey team used a hat trick and good goaltending to beat Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood 3-0 Monday evening.

Sophomore Kara Francis had the hat trick and junior goalie Olivia Portillo posted the shut-out in net.

"We weren't at our best and that will have to change," head coach Cassie Jaeckle said.

Junior Molly Murphy had two assists and played well, Jaeckle said.

"We have to get into the swing of things with the playoffs approaching,"

Jaeckle said. "We have South and Ladywood the week before playoffs start, which is great."

The Knights also played Ann Arbor Pioneer last week and won 10-2.

Sophomore Haley Malewicz was in net and earned the victory. She was helped immensely by a seven-goal outburst in the opening period.

Sophomore Kara Francis led the way with five points, scoring two goals and adding three assists, while junior

Allison Stapleton had four points on two goals and two assists.

Junior Grace Scarfone (two goals and one assist) and sophomore Riley Marchin (one goal and two assists) followed with a three-point night.

Other goal scorers were sophomores Emma Shell and Katie Fruehauf, and junior Molly Murphy with one goal apiece.

Adding assists were seniors Jena Pangborn and Miranda Saigh, freshman Kate Zinn, as well as Shell and Murphy.

Liggett improved to 11-2 in the league and 14-2 overall.



PHOTO COURTESY OF SOUTH WRESTLING

South's Jon Gough, shown during a match against Clawson, earned a fifth-place medal at the league meet last weekend.

### Boys hockey

#### NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT

## Local teams earn win, loss and tie

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

A vastly undermanned

University Liggett boys' hockey team used an overtime goal from freshman Dylan Paulsell to

beat host Macomb Dakota 3-2 last week.

The Knights were missing Josh Soyka, Brett Abdelnour and Mason Campau, and lost the services of junior Harrison Wujek midway through the game.

Despite the shuffling of lines and players getting a ton of ice time, the Knights were able to pull out the win.

"It was a grind out game, but somehow the kids pushed through and won," head coach Mike Hamilton said. "We are missing some kids with injuries and illness, which meant really juggling the lines."

"Everyone contributed and now we get a little more than a week to practice, rest and get some guys back."

Each team scored in the first and third period. For the Knights, Paulsell scored at the 3:19 mark of the first period, with senior Jacob Smith assisting.

In the third period, junior Nick Gawel

scored, but two minutes later the Cougars tied it.

Each team had great chances to score late in regulation, but both goaltenders stood tall in net to make the saves and keep it tied at 2.

Just 59 seconds into OT, Paulsell tallied to win the road game.

Senior Luke Soyka was in net, earning another victory as Liggett improved to 16-3 overall.

#### North results

The Grosse Pointe North boys' hockey team also played Dakota last week and finished with a 4-4 tie at Mount Clemens Ice Arena.

Head coach Mike Maltese watched his Norsemen grab four one-goal leads, but each time the Cougars tied it.

The Norsemen led 4-3 when junior Andrew Tomasi scored a power-play goal at the 5:27 mark of the third period. Juniors J.P. Navetta and Brendan Nelson had the assists.

The lead lasted a little

more than three minutes. The Cougars tied it with a tally at the 2:17 mark.

Each team had a power play in the overtime, but both goaltenders, including North sophomore Brian Wenz, stood tall in net to keep it a 4-4 game.

Senior Nick Cusmano had a hat trick, scoring at the 8:28 mark of the first period, the 12:32 mark of the second period and 16:31 mark of the third period.

The Cougars' goals came at the 13:06 mark of the second period, 6:22 mark of the second period, 13:39 mark of the third period and 2:17 mark of the third period.

Grosse Pointe North takes a 4-14-1 mark into the final three weeks of the regular season.

#### South results

The Grosse Pointe South boys' hockey team played a lackluster first period, trailing 5-2, to host Trenton last week-end.

When it was all said and done, the Blue Devils

settled down and played well, but still lost 6-3.

"We played well at times, but some mistakes in our zone hurt us in the opening period," head coach Bobby McKillop said. "I was proud of the boys for playing a full three periods."

"We could have folded our tent and went home after the horrible first period, but they continued to play hard. Trenton is one of the best teams we faced this season."

Senior Jason Sommerville and juniors Graham Ryan and Jonathan Theros each scored once to lead the Blue Devils.

It was a 5-3 game until Trenton added an empty-net goal in the final seconds.

"We had our chances to get back in this game, but didn't convert," McKillop said. "Trenton's goaltender was the difference in the game. We fired a lot of pucks at him, but he made some big saves."

Grosse Pointe South fell to 11-4-1 overall.

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# Star auction Feb. 28

By Joe Warner  
Editor

It's been 30 years of fun and funding for the auction at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School. This year's "Come Fly the Starry Skies" promises to take the experience to new heights.

The 2015 edition is 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

Danielle Brousseau, a Grosse Pointe Woods resident whose daughter graduated from Star of the Sea and now attends Mercy High School, has been chairwoman of the auction for five years.

"It's our main fundraiser for the school," Brousseau said, "and all funds go to the school."

More than 300 supporters are expected, with donations going to technology improvements, curriculum enhancements, iPads for classrooms and more, Brousseau said.

"To see those things in play in the building makes all the hard work rewarding," she said.

This year's honorary chairwoman is Bettejean Ahee, a longtime parishioner, who with her late husband, Edmund, started Edmund T. AHEE jewelers.

"Star is where her heart is," Brousseau said. "Nineteen Ahees have gone through here. They have been incredibly supportive. Talk about community minded, it's just remarkable."

The auction features a silent, online component this year, with special packages, photography, jewelry, sporting events and children's items. The live auction on Feb. 28, will feature several trips and events, including a golf experience with the Detroit Red Wings, a trip to the Turks & Caicos, a piece of jewelry from Bettejean Ahee's personal collection,



Above, a special painting from Jane McFeely will be auctioned, as well as a special star necklace donated from the personal collection of Bettejean Ahee, this year's auction honorary chairwoman.



designed by her daughter, a Comerica Park suite, a special painting by Jane McFeely and private parties around town.

A special drawing will be held with a top prize being the choice of a two-year lease of a 2015 Lincoln MKC or \$10,000 cash. Only 400 tickets will be sold and are available at the school and parish offices.

Another special raffle prize is a year of dining. The winner receives 12 \$100 gift certificates for the area's top restaurants. More information is available at stargrossepointe.org, which is where tickets for the event are available.

Brousseau said tickets may also be purchased through the school office. Donations

are also welcome there.

"This community is very supportive and we ask everybody to support them in return," Brousseau said. "This community is very loyal and we've built wonderful relationships over the years."

The auction is \$85 per person, which includes a strolling dinner, cocktails and silent and live auctions. Tickets are available online or at the school office. Call (313) 884-1070 for more information.

Sponsors include Bob Maxey Ford Lincoln, Century Plastics, Inc. - Plastic Services Centers, Wesley Orthodontics, Beline Obeid Realty, Fusion Integrated Training, OMS, Hour Detroit and The Portrait Place.



## Recognition

Elizabeth Connors, Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education trustee, Christine Kuhl, Grosse Pointe North High School psychologist and Kate Murray, principal of Grosse Pointe North, came together to recognize donors and volunteers for their support of the multi-sensory classroom at Grosse Pointe North High School.

## Interest leads to great project

At University Liggett School, an interest or curiosity often will lead to an in-depth learning experience - and that's true at every grade level, including prekindergarten. In the PreK3 class, the students' collective interest in garbage trucks has led to a three-phase project on garbage and recycling.

It started when one of the boys in the class was pretending his chair was a garbage truck. He collected puzzle pieces and other items to put on the chair, which he pushed around the room. Soon, the other students wanted to join

in. "The interest in garbage trucks was very contagious," said prekindergarten teacher Connie O'Brien. "So we asked the students to bring in real, but clean, garbage from home such as boxes and bottles, and the project took off from there."

The students began the first phase of the project, discussing what they already knew about garbage and recycling. Then they began the second phase of the project: research and investigation. They read books about garbage and recycling, took

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## Editor's note:

Due to next week's winter break for students, The Week Ahead - Schools will return in next week's issue. To submit an event, e-mail information to kryan@grossepointenews.com.

## Boys and girls basketball

### NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT BOYS

# South, North win; Liggett drops two

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South boys' basketball team gutted out a 53-35 win over Fraser last week.

The game was closer than the final score indicated.

"They changed defenses on us and it took our guys a while to get the hang of it," head coach Troy Glasser said. "We wanted to break down their zone and get open shots, but we didn't hit too many of those open shots until the fourth quarter."

"It wasn't pretty, but it's a win."

The host Blue Devils won every quarter, but they were close.

It was 9-6 after the first quarter, 21-14 at the half and 40-29 after three quarters.

It was 42-35 in the fourth quarter and the Ramblers had the momentum. However, the Blue Devils finally hit some open looks and scored the final 11 points of the game.

Leading the fourth quarter charge was Nate Hall, who scored six of his team-high 11 points.

"Nate was able to create some shots and break down the defense to get us the easy baskets we were looking for the entire game," Glasser said.

Senior Sam Kingsley had 10 points, while

junior Jack Maher had seven. Three players tallied six points, seniors Sam Blanz and Sam Hunter, and sophomore Brennan Buszka.

Earlier in the week, South made the long trek to Port Huron Northern and won 69-59.

Maher and Blanz had 13 points apiece to lead the Blue Devils, while Buszka had 12 and Hall had 11 as Grosse Pointe South improved to 6-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division and 11-3 overall.

### North results

The Grosse Pointe North boys' basketball team inched above the .500 mark in division play last week, beating L'Anse Creuse 58-46 behind junior Mitchell Zacharias's 16 points.

Junior Josh Fischer added 14 points and sophomore Dillon Webb had 13 as the Norsemen rebounded from a loss in their previous game against division-leading Stevenson.

Sophomore Steven Levick had seven points as the underclassmen excelled under pressure.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 8-6 overall.

### Liggett results

Injuries and illness have dogged the University Liggett boys' basketball team the past couple of weeks, resulting in some disappoint-

ing results.

Head coach Sidney Johnson had only six players to work with last week when the Knights lost 68-50 to Allen Park Inter-City Baptist and 77-66 to Plymouth Christian Academy.

"We're trying our best, but having such a thin roster makes it difficult to run our system," Johnson said. "I hope we can get some kids healthy and ready to play in the next week or so."

The Knights led Inter-City Baptist 24-20 at the half, but a 23-10 third quarter hurt their chances of beating the Chargers.

Sophomore Jaren English led the way with 19 points, followed by junior Spencer Ewing with 12 and freshman Anthony George with 11.

The Knights once again played a good first half against Plymouth Christian, trailing by only a basket.

However, they ran into foul trouble in the second half and finished the final two minutes of the fourth quarter with only four players on the court.

English once again led the way with 25 points, followed by junior Thomas Jackson with 13, Ewing with 10 and George with 10.

Liggett dropped to 5-4 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference and 8-5 overall.

### NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT GIRLS

# South, Liggett net wins; North splits

By Jennifer Kusch  
Special Writer

Grosse Pointe South girls' basketball team shone on the court again as it trounced Dakota 71-47 last weekend.

The Blue Devils accelerated the pace in the beginning of the game, leaving Dakota in the dust, finishing the first half with a score of 31-15.

Captain and University of Illinois commit Cierra Rice led the way with a whopping total of 25 points, and her consistent free-throw performance gave the Blue Devils confidence throughout game.

Junior Elizabeth Rauh and senior Aliezza Brown both played strong games, sinking a total of eight points apiece.

Despite the favorable score, head coach Kevin Richards saw room for improvement in their play.

"At times, in spurts, we played well. We gave up too many points, we set some goals, and we didn't achieve all of them," Richards said.

South is now tied for first in the MAC Red Division at 7-1 as it also beat Port Huron Northern 60-52 early last week.

Rice had 27 points as the Blue Devils raced out to a 37-24 halftime lead.

### Liggett results

The University Liggett girls' basketball team is closing in on its sixth

consecutive Michigan Independent Athletic Conference championship.

Last week, the Knights blew out Allen Park Inter-City Baptist 53-29 and Plymouth Christian Academy 45-23.

In the Inter-City Baptist game, senior Jessica Rotzoll had 14 points and senior Lola Ristovski added 10.

Three nights later, the Knights jumped out to a 34-6 halftime lead and put the game in cruise control in the second half.

"We came out hot and played really sound defensively," head coach Omar Ahart said. "This is the team we want to see come playoff time."

Junior Kendall McConico had 14 points to lead the Knights, while sophomore Nia Ahart and Ristovski had 10 points apiece.

Liggett improved to 12-3 overall and 10-0 in the MIAC.

### North results

Grosse Pointe North girls' basketball team fell to Port Huron Northern 47-21 last week.

North's bench was short, and soon after play began the girls were left behind Northern as their opponents set a pace the Norsemen couldn't match.

As the scoring deficit grew, fouls were tallied accordingly. Erin

Armbruster, with four fouls in the game, contributed strong play as the game progressed.

Her eight points, however, were not enough to make a difference in the game's result.

Junior Katelyn Carney and sophomore Katie Snow also played strong games, the former with four assists and the latter with five points.

The Norsemen struggled with accuracy throughout the four quarters, and their players grew visibly exhausted as their short bench took its toll.

Play grew sloppy over time, and the girls fought to stay above water as Northern's lead grew to be insurmountable.

"I don't think we played very well today. I thought we got pushed around a lot and we just weren't aware of a lot of things," head coach Gary Bennett said. "The other team was just mentally sharper. We just did not play very well at all today."

North is now 2-5 in the MAC Red Division, but improved to 6-7 overall with a 61-46 win over host Warren Mott Monday night.

Snow led the way with 17 points, while Armbruster recorded a double-double, netting 13 points and 14 rebounds.

The state district playoffs for North, South and Liggett are the week of March 2.



# Timeline set for superintendent search

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

The official search for a new school superintendent will kick off the week of March 1, according to representatives of the firm hired to screen candidates.

David Peterson, a partner with SCHOOL EXEC CONNECT, told the Grosse Pointe Public School System board of education at its meeting Monday, Feb. 9, his firm has set the first two weeks of March as a time to meet with various school and community groups to brainstorm what people are looking for in a new superintendent.

The information gleaned through these focus groups will be

used to put together a profile of the ideal candidate to take over the school system July 1.

Among the groups invited to participate will be teachers, union leadership, central office administrators, principals and student leaders, as well as parent groups and booster clubs.

At the suggestion of board member Dan Roeske, representatives from community groups including the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors, The Family Center, Services for Older Citizens, Rotary and Friends of the Library will be asked to participate.

Community leaders, including mayors and police chiefs also will be invited.

Board member Cindy Pangborn also asked that representatives from the group that opposed the February 2014 technology bond be included as well.

In addition to the focus groups, SCHOOL EXEC CONNECT will put together an online survey that will allow community members to provide input. The survey, along with complete information, including the time line and meeting dates, will be highlighted on the district's website, gpschools.org.

Peterson and SCHOOL EXEC CONNECT consultant Larry Lobert will screen applicants to determine the best match between candidates and the information gained from focus

groups and the online survey. They will then interview prospective candidates the week of March 25, with the intention of bringing five or six candidates to the board at a special meeting scheduled for Monday, April 13.

While that meeting will be closed to the public, following the meeting, the board will announce the name of six candidates.

Interviews with the candidates are set for the week of April 20, with finalists being named April 22. Interviews with the finalists will be held the week of April 27.

But even before the process begins, board member Ahmed Ismail questioned what he

referred to as "the elephant in the room," the question of compensation.

"No one will want to move here for a sub-\$200,000 salary," he said. He said he was concerned that a qualified applicant might not even apply because he doesn't believe current compensation will attract the best candidates.

"The candidates we want here aren't looking for work," he said, noting Grosse Pointe compensation is "radically" different than comparable districts like Troy or Bloomfield Hills.

"I don't want to sell our community short because of past salary," Ismail said.

Peterson said it was too early to be discuss-

ing compensation. "We tell candidates the current salary should not be a reference point," he said. "Candidates will be attracted to Grosse Pointe because of its reputation."

Peterson assured the board he would not put forth a candidate "you can't afford."

Peterson and Lobert cautioned board members to closely follow the process and timeline, as well as keeping candidates' names confidential. He also asked board members to not attend focus group sessions, saying it will allow a better flow of information.

Current school superintendent Dr. Tom Harwood has announced his resignation, effective June 30.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

## Happy birthday

Students at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School celebrated Michigan's 178th with Michigan treats. Top, Katherine Moores, Joey Stapleton, Quinn Johnson and Lily Petz hold up the sign. The third graders, as part of the school curriculum, are learning Michigan history and studying the state. So far they have studied the ice age through the American Revolution and will move on to learn about Michigan territory and the transition to become a state. Lunch consisted of Faygo pop, Little Caesars pizza, Sanders bumpy cake and Better Made potato chips. Above, Malvina Lubanski, Camille McInnis and Seamus Doyle enjoy Sanders bumpy cake.

## North plans musical

Grosse Pointe North High School will be the first high school in the state to perform the Broadway musical, "Catch Me If You Can," with opening night set for Thursday, March 5.

Based on the hit film, "Catch Me If You Can," the Tony nominated musical tells the story of Frank W. Abagnale Jr, a teenager who runs away from home in search of a glamorous life.

Under the direction of

Sean Kifer and musical director Ben Henri, the production will feature choreography by former Rockette Cori Callahan.

Student cast members include Peter Gritsas, Panos Varlamos, Shannon McEnroe, Josh Lupo, Emily Hoshaw, Lolly Duus, Jeffery Redd, Demetri Gritsas, Will Fishwick, Matt Carlsen and Marissa Brown. A chorus of dancers, singers and a student pit orchestra

directed by Dave Cleveland round out the production.

Performances will run from March 5-7, at 7:30 p.m., at the Grosse Pointe North Performing Arts Center.

Tickets may be purchased in advance at Wild Birds Unlimited, 20361 Mack, or at the Performing Arts Center each night of the show. Ticket information is available at (313) 343-0006.

## PROJECT:

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photos of the garbage and recycling trucks in their neighborhood, and next week will meet with student leaders from Liggett's Upper School environmental club to learn more about recycling.

They also learned more about recycling symbols. They practiced their numbers and sorting skills by matching the recycling numbers found on everyday items to the correlating container and number in class. Another project gave them a chance to match the correct container lid or bottle top to other everyday

items such as cottage cheese containers, shampoo bottles and screw-top containers, while another project gave them a chance to use the water table to explore how the recycled materials interacted with water. And on one occasion, they even made "garbage soup" with recycled materials.

The project carried over into the special classes as well. In art class, the students made collages from recycled materials, and in music class they sang songs and played games relating to garbage and recycling. Also in music class, they played instruments made from recycled items.

The project also took them on a field trip to the

Grosse Pointe Shores Public Works Department for a garbage truck tour.

At Liggett, the three-phase project approach to learning culminates with the students sharing what they learned - with friends, family and other members of the Liggett community. And they certainly have a lot to tell.

"This project really captured their interest," said prekindergarten teacher Julie Demchak. "In some ways, it seems very natural because garbage and recycling are already a part of their lives. By working collaboratively and sharing what they want to know, they've been able to learn even more and, at the same time, really enjoy the learning experience."

## ULS to honor alum Denise Ilitch

Community and business leader Denise Ilitch, Esq., will be recognized in May with University Liggett School's Distinguished Alumni Award, the school's highest honor.

The award is presented each year to an alum for his or her leadership, professional achievements, civic contributions, service to University Liggett School and/or other qualities that elicit pride from the University Liggett School community.

Ilitch is an outstanding champion of Detroit and the region by investing in and promoting investment in the city, and her leadership, entrepreneurship and philanthropic dedication have made an important and strong impact. She was a part of the team that led a number of high-profile complex projects from

inception through completion, including an unprecedented \$600 million side-by-side sports stadium development in the heart of downtown Detroit.

She has served on the boards of many civic, business, professional, charitable and civil rights organizations, including co-chair for the 2009 Detroit Crisis Turnaround Team. She also currently serves as an ACLU advisory committee member, a Trustee for the Skillman Foundation and as Regent on the University of Michigan Board of Regents. Her commitment to the community also is demonstrated in her role as president of Ilitch Enterprises LLC, which manages operations of its portfolio companies, Ambassador Magazine and Denise Ilitch Designs. She also is

the partial owner of 220 Restaurant Hospitality.

"Denise's widespread positive influence has left an indelible mark on our city," said Head of School Joseph P. Healey. "Her longtime commitment to Detroit and the region, as well as her steadfast and impressive ability to generate positive change, makes her the ideal choice for this important award."

The award will be presented on Friday, May 15, during the school's Alumni Weekend festivities.

"I'm honored to have been selected as the 2015 Distinguished Alumni at University Liggett School - a place from which I have so many wonderful memories," Ilitch said. "I look forward to returning to campus in May to see old friends, faculty and also to receive this special award."



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## Celebrating and helping

This school year is the 90th anniversary of Defer Elementary school in Grosse Pointe Park. The school will celebrate each month of the school year. In January, administrators, staff and students decided to stay in the spirit of giving. An announcement asking for canned and boxed food items was put in the school newsletter they sent home, but this time a newsletter was stapled to each of the 300 brown bags, donated by Kroger in the Village. Each grade was designated specific items to donate, such as kindergartners bring canned fruit, first graders bring in soup and macaroni and cheese, etc. The goal was to gather 90 food items for each grade to bring in a total of 540 donated items. In one week, they gathered 1,046 items. The food went to those in the area who could use extra help.

## North singers win top honors

Grosse Pointe North High School students Josh Lupo and Gowri Yerramalli have been accepted into the Michigan All-State

Honors Choir, a select group of only 120 top choir members from across the state.

Selected through an audition process, Josh

and Gowri will perform in May at the prestigious Michigan Youth Arts Festival at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo.



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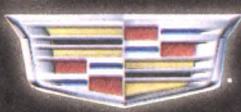
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